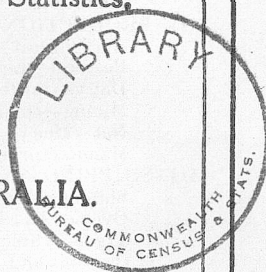
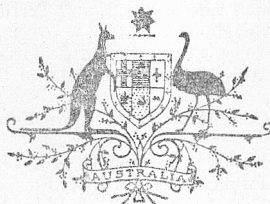


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# STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

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## Section 1. Population and Vital Statistics. AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1923.			Estimated 30th June, 1944. (a)			Popula- tion— Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1943.
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,433	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	1,437,380	1,433,576	2,870,956	1,398,000
Victoria	87,884	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	987,347	1,010,457	1,997,804	1,170,000
Q'land.	670,500	497,217	450,317	947,534	549,682	515,732	1,065,414	370,500
S. Aust.	380,070	290,962	289,987	580,949	308,209	313,789	621,998	362,500
W. Aust.	975,920	233,937	204,915	438,852	252,508	232,899	485,407	263,000
Tasmania	26,215	115,097	112,502	227,599	123,892	121,542	245,434	70,800
N. Terr.	523,620	3,378	1,472	4,850	4,050	1,129	5,179	(b)
A.C.T. . .	939	4,805	4,142	8,947	7,145	7,300	14,445	12,200
Australia	2,974,581	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,670,213	3,636,424	7,306,637	3,647,000 (c)

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Not available.

(c) Excludes Darwin, N.T.

### ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (c)	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,867	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1930	2,546,353	1,792,605	916,736	574,467	431,610	225,297	4,964	8,719	6,500,751
1939	2,762,789	1,886,256	1,019,133	593,910	468,833	242,524	6,212	12,669	6,997,326
1940	2,782,991	1,918,367	1,031,525	599,398	472,660	243,363	6,299	14,086	7,068,689
1941	2,802,014	1,951,415	1,039,987	607,847	474,317	241,681	5,570	14,391	7,137,222
1942	2,833,133	1,968,226	1,040,536	613,069	479,882	242,151	4,952	14,673	7,196,622
1943	2,854,862	1,988,938	1,058,094	618,597	482,454	244,056	5,155	14,285	7,266,441

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.  
part of New South Wales.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Prior to 1911.

### ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b)	Australia
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1930	2,532,289	1,786,217	910,319	573,242	429,079	220,933	4,979	8,961	6,466,019
1940	2,772,185	1,903,753	1,026,124	599,119	470,922	240,447	6,255	13,556	7,032,361
1941	2,791,169	1,936,725	1,037,416	602,119	473,819	239,824	6,276	14,705	7,102,053
1942	2,818,269	1,964,838	1,037,972	610,813	478,722	240,732	4,890	14,627	7,170,863
1943c	2,841,227	1,980,289	1,051,636	615,484	479,624	242,345	5,144	14,115	7,229,864
1944c	2,870,956	1,997,804	1,065,414	621,993	485,407	245,434	5,179	14,445	7,266,637

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911, part of New South Wales.

(c) June estimate; subject to revision.

NOTE.—The populations shown for 1939 and subsequent years have been revised in the light of data obtained from the Civilian Register of June, 1943, and include surviving members of the fighting forces according to the State from which they were enlisted and irrespective of whether they are within Australia or overseas.

Owing to war conditions records of interstate migration are unsatisfactory and estimates of State populations subsequent to June, 1943, are still subject to adjustment for interstate migration. It is anticipated that estimates for these quarters will be revised in the light of data obtained from the Occupation Survey of June, 1945.

## BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

Quarter ended 31st March, 1945.

State or Territory.	Births.			Deaths.(a)			Marriages.
	Males	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales	8,083	7,493	15,576	3,250	2,720	5,970	6,249
Victoria ..	5,438	4,944	10,382	2,247	2,113	4,360	4,241
Queensland ..	3,553	3,458	7,011	1,351	943	2,294	2,590
South Australia ..	1,884	1,782	3,666	664	649	1,313	1,452
Western Australia	1,450	1,457	2,907	627	464	1,091	1,020
Tasmania ..	726	733	1,459	306	292	598	471
Northern Territory	12	12	24	11	..	11	10
Australian Capital Territory ..	40	61	101	8	1	9	24
Australia ..	21,186	19,940	41,126	8,464	7,182	15,646	16,057

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

State or Territory.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	Quarter ended 31st March—	
					1944.	1945.

## BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	51,729	52,647	57,265	59,612	15,147	15,576
Victoria ..	34,406	35,927	39,117	39,358	10,068	10,382
Queensland ..	21,519	21,166	23,234	24,520	6,156	7,011
South Australia ..	10,965	11,278	13,145	13,311	3,260	3,666
Western Australia ..	10,118	9,901	10,481	10,870	2,761	2,907
Tasmania ..	5,206	5,305	5,597	5,200	1,387	1,459
Northern Territory ..	216	92	80	89	23	24
Australian Capital Territory	366	392	376	384	95	101
Australia ..	134,525	136,708	149,295	153,344	38,897	41,126

## BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales ..	18.53	18.68	(a) 20.16	(a) 20.76	(a)(b) 21.10	(a)(b) 21.47
Victoria ..	17.77	18.28	19.75	19.70	20.06	20.61
Queensland ..	20.74	20.39	22.09	23.02	23.11	25.98
South Australia ..	18.21	18.46	21.36	21.40	20.96	23.31
Western Australia ..	21.35	20.68	21.85	22.39	22.75	23.66
Tasmania ..	21.71	22.04	23.10	21.19	22.60	23.54
Northern Territory	34.42	18.81	15.55	17.18	17.76	18.46
Australian Capital Territory	24.89	26.80	26.64	26.58	26.31	27.48
Australia ..	18.94	19.06	20.65	20.99	21.29	22.28

(a) Preliminary rates.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.



BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	Quarter ended 31st March—	
					1944.	1945.

## DEATHS(a)—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	27,300	29,219	28,870	26,652	5,984	5,970
Victoria .. ..	20,522	21,973	21,327	20,502	4,358	4,360
Queensland .. ..	9,530	9,622	10,576	9,385	2,265	2,294
South Australia .. ..	6,288	6,712	6,482	5,984	1,233	1,313
Western Australia .. ..	4,769	5,076	4,587	4,478	1,054	1,091
Tasmania .. ..	2,575	2,430	2,527	2,494	534	598
Northern Territory .. ..	122	83	49	31	11	11
Australian Capital Territory	70	76	68	70	14	9
Australia .. ..	71,176	75,191	74,486	69,596	15,453	15,646

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

## DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

			(a)	(a)	(a) (b)	(a) (b)
New South Wales .. ..	9.78	10.37	10.16	9.28	8.34	8.23
Victoria .. ..	10.60	11.18	10.77	10.26	8.73	8.65
Queensland .. ..	9.19	9.27	10.06	8.81	8.50	8.50
South Australia .. ..	10.44	10.99	10.53	9.62	7.93	8.35
Western Australia .. ..	10.07	10.60	9.56	9.23	8.69	8.88
Tasmania .. ..	10.74	10.09	10.43	10.16	8.70	9.65
Northern Territory .. ..	17.44	16.97	9.53	5.99	8.50	8.46
Australian Capital Territory	4.76	5.20	4.82	4.85	3.88	2.45
Australia .. ..	10.02	10.49	10.30	9.53	8.46	8.47

(a) Preliminary rates.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.

## MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	29,983	34,533	26,302	26,426	6,683	6,249
Victoria .. ..	20,898	23,636	18,356	17,857	4,101	4,241
Queensland .. ..	9,885	11,722	9,979	11,325	2,513	2,590
South Australia .. ..	6,855	8,129	6,263	6,019	1,466	1,452
Western Australia .. ..	5,077	5,441	4,528	4,506	1,185	1,020
Tasmania .. ..	2,150	2,431	2,102	1,935	406	471
Northern Territory .. ..	179	53	46	31	5	10
Australian Capital Territory	121	115	97	102	18	24
Australia .. ..	75,148	86,060	67,673	68,201	16,377	16,057



BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	Quarter ended 31st March—	
					1944.	1945.

## MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

			(a)	(a)	(a) (b)	(a) (b)
New South Wales .. ..	10.74	12.25	9.26	9.20	9.31	8.61
Victoria .. ..	10.79	12.03	9.27	8.94	8.21	8.42
Queensland .. ..	9.53	11.29	9.49	10.63	9.43	9.60
South Australia .. ..	11.38	13.31	10.18	9.68	9.43	9.23
Western Australia .. ..	10.72	11.37	9.44	9.28	9.77	8.30
Tasmania .. ..	8.96	10.10	8.67	7.88	6.62	7.60
Northern Territory .. ..	28.52	10.84	8.94	5.99	3.86	7.69
Australian Capital Territory	8.23	7.86	6.87	7.06	4.98	6.53
Australia .. ..	10.58	12.00	9.36	9.33	8.97	8.70

(a) Preliminary rates.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.

## DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales .. ..	2,264	2,116	2,072	1,829	401	467
Victoria .. ..	1,246	1,497	1,399	1,258	295	245
Queensland .. ..	842	736	878	767	205	219
South Australia .. ..	356	448	482	387	96	89
Western Australia .. ..	357	365	342	354	96	72
Tasmania .. ..	255	225	227	199	45	41
Northern Territory .. ..	18	4	6	2	1	..
Australian Capital Territory	6	9	7	9	2	1
Australia .. ..	5,244	5,400	5,413	4,805	1,141	1,134

## INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales .. ..	43.77	40.19	36.18	30.68	26.47	29.98
Victoria .. ..	36.21	41.67	35.76	31.96	29.30	23.60
Queensland .. ..	39.13	34.73	37.79	31.28	33.30	31.24
South Australia .. ..	32.47	39.72	36.67	29.07	29.45	24.28
Western Australia .. ..	35.28	36.86	32.63	32.57	34.77	24.77
Tasmania .. ..	48.98	42.41	40.56	38.27	32.44	28.10
Northern Territory .. ..	83.33	43.48	75.00	22.47	43.48	..
Australian Capital Territory	16.39	22.96	18.62	23.44	21.05	9.90
Australia .. ..	39.72	39.50	36.26	31.33	29.33	27.57

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	171,974	122,535	294,509	183,543
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,013	147,409	340,422	130,058
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	(a)10,886
1936-40 ..	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1939 ..	37,719	37,366	75,085	31,491	29,703	61,194	13,891
1940 ..	19,296	19,307	38,603	13,998	11,205	25,203	13,400
1941 ..	11,861	10,800	22,661	10,063	7,414	17,477	5,184
1942 ..	6,295	5,971	12,266	3,059	3,041	6,100	6,166
1943 ..	3,893	2,332	6,125	2,822	2,032	4,854	1,271
1944 ..	4,454	3,043	7,497	5,309	4,291	9,600	(a)2,183

(a) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

**Section II.—Production.**  
**PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.**  
**AREA OF CROPS.**

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Total Area of Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1938-39 ..	14,346,330	1,784,205	324,146	3,250,260	363,592	23,497,780
1939-40 ..	13,285,005	1,681,962	311,812	2,998,642	374,967	22,249,512
1940-41 ..	12,644,646	1,722,902	362,871	2,353,506	371,623	21,117,830
1941-42 ..	12,003,483	1,460,472	301,360	2,753,128	352,188	20,450,345
1942-43 ..	9,280,345	1,496,913	284,592	2,359,115	329,051	17,419,717
1943-44 ..	7,860,470	1,413,682	282,685	2,041,369	336,440	15,882,285
1944-45(a) ..	8,428,447	2,033,200	256,900	2,341,700	331,100	17,441,981

(a) Subject to revision.

**TOTAL PRODUCTION.**

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane Sugar.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	7,056,642	3,321,161	5,678,894	820,086
1939-40 ..	210,487,306	25,301,980	6,560,065	4,158,064	6,313,369	928,621
1940-41 ..	82,233,324	10,199,218	9,192,744	2,177,470	5,523,416	806,457
1941-42 ..	166,712,865	22,302,478	7,436,174	3,574,888	5,153,670	745,980
1942-43 ..	155,727,983	21,531,525	6,884,953	3,116,055	4,691,501	649,899
1943-44 ..	109,558,721	17,694,047	7,432,619	2,716,936	3,687,981	523,65
1944-45(a) ..	52,068,440	8,952,700	6,406,100	1,896,000	4,737,783	669,000

(a) Subject to revision.

**AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.**

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(a)	Tons.(a)
1938-39 ..	10.83	8.72	21.77	1.02	21.65	3.13
1939-40 ..	15.84	15.04	21.04	1.39	23.15	3.41
1940-41 ..	6.50	5.92	25.33	0.93	20.20	2.95
1941-42 ..	13.89	15.27	24.67	1.30	20.25	2.93
1942-43 ..	16.78	14.38	24.19	1.32	19.47	2.70
1943-44 ..	13.94	12.52	26.29	1.33	16.09	2.29
1944-45(b) ..	6.18	4.40	24.94	0.81	20.92	2.95

(a) Per acre of productive crop.

(b) Subject to revision.

**AREA OF WHEAT.**

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1939-40	4,380,595	2,827,417	362,044	2,734,595	2,970,411	7,495	2,448	13,285,005
1940-41	4,453,968	2,672,728	322,081	2,560,390	2,625,401	8,038	2,045	12,644,646
1941-42	3,968,753	2,757,080	290,801	2,325,717	2,653,419	6,414	1,294	12,003,483
1942-43	3,032,946	2,145,156	334,785	2,009,027	1,753,178	4,128	1,125	9,280,345
1943-44	2,693,302	1,793,428	281,308	1,533,816	1,552,358	4,840	1,418	7,860,470
1944-45a	2,844,800	2,141,729	303,349	1,623,145	1,510,073	3,832	1,514	8,428,447

**TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.**

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1939-40	76,552,000	45,054,592	6,794,906	41,071,696	40,861,000	107,719	45,393	210,487,306
1940-41	23,933,100	13,521,422	5,687,350	17,856,118	21,060,000	140,375	34,959	82,233,324
1941-42	48,500,000	46,953,840	3,079,898	30,511,112	37,500,000	145,191	22,824	166,712,865
1942-43	51,693,045	41,803,107	5,005,065	36,525,459	20,600,000	73,320	27,987	155,727,983
1943-44	47,500,000	19,733,322	5,088,492	20,690,471	16,384,944	122,141	39,351	109,558,721
1944-45a	17,133,870	8,497,677	6,226,467	9,244,211	15,871,711	92,650	1,854	52,068,440

(a) Subject to revision.

## PRODUCTION.

## Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

## AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Busbels.	Busbels.	Busbels.	Busbels.	Busbels.	Busbels.	Busbels.	Busbels.
1939-40	17.48	15.93	18.77	15.02	13.76	14.37	18.54	15.84
1940-41	5.37	5.06	17.06	6.97	8.02	17.46	17.09	6.50
1941-42	12.22	17.03	10.59	13.12	14.13	22.64	17.64	13.89
1942-43	17.04	19.49	14.95	18.18	11.75	17.76	24.88	16.78
1943-44	17.64	11.00	18.09	13.49	10.55	25.24	27.75	13.94
1944-45a	6.02	1.63	20.53	5.70	10.51	24.18	1.22	6.18

(a) Subject to revision.

## NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

Mar.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land. (a)	S. Aust. (a)	W. Aust. (a)	Tasmania. (a)	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
SHEEP.									
1939	48,876,663	17,007,352	23,158,569	9,936,586	9,177,531	2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,832
1940	54,372,472	18,251,870	24,190,931	9,940,570	9,574,433	2,677,120	33,587	259,408	119,305,391
1941	55,568,000	20,412,362	23,936,099	10,263,423	9,516,272	2,682,375	33,703	281,791	122,694,025
1942	56,737,000	20,598,201	25,196,245	10,245,894	9,722,780	2,395,201	28,245	262,563	125,189,129
1943c	56,043,598	19,614,040	25,650,231	10,370,565	10,424,385	2,226,906	34,603	250,344	124,614,672
1944c	56,837,300	19,220,457	23,255,584	10,359,669	11,012,936	2,187,799	25,575	274,642	123,173,962
1945c	46,662,000	16,467,101	21,365,778	8,473,939	10,020,299	2,156,071	29,269	250,778	105,415,235

## CATTLE.

1939	2,811,884	1,697,295	6,097,089	318,897	767,680	262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781
1940	2,762,653	1,787,597	6,198,798	351,013	799,175	252,484	922,581	5,879	13,080,180
1941	2,769,061	1,922,336	6,210,810	376,654	788,928	259,108	922,308	6,636	13,255,841
1942	2,878,450	1,986,544	6,303,467	399,143	839,731	(b) 253,106	892,881	7,432	13,560,754
1943c	3,030,546	2,022,892	6,466,316	424,253	831,231	244,681	978,434	6,067	14,005,320
1944c	3,143,378	2,013,033	6,524,550	414,997	870,939	230,127	978,569	8,083	14,183,676
1945c	3,144,701	1,903,110	6,624,799	391,323	850,863	224,668	984,370	9,320	14,133,154

## HORSES.

1939	531,355	343,828	444,521	195,834	143,674	30,458	33,191	1,195	1,724,056
1940	534,837	326,217	444,956	190,013	139,207	29,605	32,721	1,241	1,698,797
1941	531,776	318,441	441,770	182,206	130,057	29,406	30,716	1,244	1,665,616
1942	525,697	302,401	431,363	171,092	124,402	(b) 28,612	26,209	1,233	1,611,059
1943c	483,277	292,534	392,639	164,855	112,732	27,077	34,663	1,143	1,517,970
1944c	465,672	277,662	387,018	154,102	106,743	26,317	30,534	1,151	1,449,199
1945c	436,443	253,782	380,670	133,003	96,453	25,885	31,803	1,091	1,359,130

## PIGS.

1939	377,344	252,462	325,326	71,292	82,922	45,317	355	573	1,155,591
1940	451,064	297,655	391,333	119,660	149,604	44,941	483	601	1,455,341
1941	507,738	397,945	435,966	190,068	217,910	46,713	407	593	1,797,340
1942c	454,102	285,227	424,458	119,765	147,960	(b) 44,519	(a) 418	854	1,477,303
1943c	486,960	307,929	409,348	156,243	151,958	49,251	(a) 532	779	1,563,000
1944c	561,294	337,878	450,391	186,007	163,876	46,427	(a) 191	657	1,746,721
1945c	523,917	296,232	438,088	160,875	163,604	46,915	(a) 146	689	1,630,466

(a) December, previous year.

(b) As at March.

(c) As at 31st March; 1945 figures subject to revision.

## WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust. (a)	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1937-38..	495,027	178,890	174,751	86,606	70,685	15,599	35	1,797	1,023,390
1938-39..	437,141	165,829	179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1939-40..	546,273	179,126	195,770	105,266	80,357	18,334	35	2,233	1,127,694
1940-41..	536,908	187,831	214,704	106,647	76,170	17,078	308	2,128	1,141,774
1941-42..	547,000	212,919	204,119	105,124	78,500	16,985	308	2,203	1,167,158
1942-43..	497,538	212,325	213,966	108,637	99,231	17,256	308	1,905	1,151,166
1943-44..	537,410	199,810	194,855	115,464	105,226	17,925	308	1,913	1,172,411

(a) For year ended 31st December of previous year.



## PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BUTTER.								
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1933-39..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1934-40..	52,149	73,583	63,771	10,240	6,942	5,295	7	211,967
1940-41..	48,466	69,797	53,544	9,545	6,802	4,729	10	192,895
1941-42..	39,831	62,864	43,582	9,133	7,612	4,602	7	167,631
1942-43..	43,873	56,105	50,541	9,180	7,027	4,505	6	171,237
1943-44..	41,231	48,016	45,996	8,841	6,573	3,799	4	154,400
1944-45(a)	32,006	46,755	42,352	6,923	5,526	3,556	4	137,127

## CHEESE.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1933-39..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1939-40..	3,038	9,935	6,182	9,174	378	1,447	..	31,154
1940-41..	2,888	18,204	5,239	8,473	428	1,357	..	26,759
1941-42..	2,348	10,054	7,304	8,439	536	1,412	..	30,143
1942-43..	2,350	11,280	12,737	8,090	731	1,032	..	30,130
1943-44..	2,467	11,210	10,737	8,806	802	1,111	..	35,133
1944-45(a)	1,941	12,303	10,123	8,273	768	1,033	..	34,441

## BACON AND HAM.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1933-39..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	33,235
1939-40..	11,627	7,985	8,947	3,146	2,086	1,292	..	35,083
1940-41..	14,091	8,946	10,299	3,345	2,304	913	1	39,899
1941-42..	15,293	8,602	10,923	3,942	2,766	937	1	42,464
1942-43..	15,082	8,855	13,057	4,428	4,142	1,238	..	46,802
1943-44..	13,913	9,687	11,958	4,605	4,958	1,202	..	45,723
1944-45(a)	19,193	9,999	14,503	4,641	5,075	1,097	..	54,513

(a) Subject to revision; excludes farm production.

## QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Black Coal.	Copper.	Pig-iron. (a)	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	Fine oz.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton	Oz.	Ton.	Ton.
1938 ..	1,592,034	11,680,159	20,326	929,676	239,590	13,895,541	3,331	163,381
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,535,142	(b)	1,104,605	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1940 ..	1,643,999	11,725,683	(b)	1,212,006	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1941 ..	1,496,698	14,212,451	(b)	1,475,707	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1942 ..	1,153,787	14,903,489	(b)	1,557,641	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1943 ..	751,271	14,192,922	(b)	1,391,006	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1944 (c) ..	656,836	13,737,075	(b)	1,303,357	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1945 (6 mths.) (c)	309,000	16,400,000	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

(a) Year ended June.

(b) Not yet available.

(c) Subject to revision.

## VALUE(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Australia.
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## GOLD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	848,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,895	11,796,085	192,596	163,414	16,002,472
1940 ..	1,068,692	1,924,396	1,351,654	34,892	12,697,219	204,248	238,840	17,519,950
1941 ..	941,244	1,600,016	1,164,621	17,968	11,852,452	212,710	201,599	15,990,550
1942 ..	807,436	1,060,910	994,214	13,930	8,845,806	191,835	126,035	12,060,166
1943 ..	666,491	590,541	656,657	5,423	5,710,663	180,209	40,880	7,850,864
1944 ..	657,152	568,305	533,176	5,662	4,899,384	174,888	57,803	6,901,370

## SILVER AND LEAD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	3,546,440	726	1,010,856	61	32,890	291,980	..	4,882,953
1940 ..	4,454,085	969	1,342,550	391	35,107	500,218	4	6,333,324
1941 ..	4,456,973	2,410	1,324,349	837	37,648	433,643	..	6,255,860
1942 ..	4,168,421	2,227	1,034,550	477	23,916	358,966	..	5,538,557
1943(b)	3,752,672	2,278	230,837	62	16,475	333,058	..	4,335,382

(a) Except for gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency.

(b) Subject to revision.



Value of Principal Minerals Produced—*continued*.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Aust.
COPPER.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	105,407	..	289,927	6,612	1,373	668,561	2,248	1,074,128
1940 ..	103,701	..	423,263	21,083	873	717,464	1,072	1,272,456
1941 ..	117,490	..	620,996	41,390	154	721,985	3,185	1,505,200
1942 ..	277,376	..	625,375	31,715	738	730,675	..	1,665,879
1943 ..	379,800	..	1,111,049	10,100	83	691,199	2,393	2,194,574

## TIN.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	366,138	47,233	200,652	..	3,871	282,798	4,487	905,179
1940 ..	373,435	32,253	223,626	..	5,174	367,127	4,533	1,006,148
1941 ..	443,123	19,569	204,232	..	1,874	328,340	4,041	1,001,179
1942 ..	417,210	19,173	150,454	..	4,634	297,919	6,627	896,017
1943 ..	403,320	14,162	167,176	10	2,315	246,218	5,594	888,795

## COAL (Black and Brown).

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	6,768,659	645,766	1,167,844	..	362,811	74,460	..	9,019,540
1940 ..	6,125,585	622,001	1,151,567	..	364,500	63,688	..	8,327,341
1941 ..	8,265,881	726,754	1,404,646	..	389,278	85,311	..	10,871,870
1942 ..	9,472,363	880,806	1,698,231	1,650	461,495	108,241	..	12,632,786
1943 ..	9,290,095	958,024	1,824,591	..	489,721	117,361	..	12,679,792

## ALL MINERALS.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	12,123,751	2,248,169	4,556,962	3,320,181	12,288,532	2,056,741	244,478	36,838,814
1940 ..	12,791,408	2,596,117	5,105,629	3,218,237	13,230,552	2,749,817	311,024	40,002,784
1941 ..	15,073,833	2,371,568	5,300,600	3,187,093	12,399,351	2,650,271	274,172	41,256,888
1942 ..	16,258,694	1,980,972	5,023,495	3,012,973	9,487,562	2,494,119	204,366	38,462,181
1943 ..	15,968,578	1,593,994	4,214,525	3,070,716	6,383,755	2,378,533	130,795	33,740,896

## NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

(RECORDED INDUSTRIES.)

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry and Bee-farming.	Trapping.	Forsetry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1936-37 ..	63,113	84,421	33,372	3,082	8,944	22,253	177,685	392,870
1937-38 ..	58,841	78,167	38,207	2,407	9,591	27,153	196,488	410,854
1938-39 ..	41,679	63,821	41,207	1,422	9,435	27,375	203,416	388,355
1939-40 ..	60,909	81,388	43,988	2,115	9,690	30,583	221,295	449,968
1940-41 ..	41,432	83,952	42,279	3,720	10,864	32,365	257,914	472,526
1941-42 ..	61,806	85,358	41,248	5,047	11,824	33,410	316,438	553,131
1942-43 ..	76,788	101,014	53,721	3,551	12,948	30,767	352,001	630,790

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed. (a)	Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1937-38	26,395	559,160	102,078,550	257,998,600	287,243,412	196,488,024	498,779,141
1938-39	26,941	565,106	103,743,062	274,582,541	281,303,446	203,416,610	500,419,977
1939-40	27,111	587,663	114,517,633	285,209,557	315,076,697	221,295,153	553,253,317
1940-41	27,390	650,073	137,819,068	305,449,890	367,157,852	257,914,349	644,794,908
1941-42	26,971	725,342	180,052,212	325,512,892	433,160,430	316,439,028	773,058,971
1942-43	26,414	790,500	183,368,813	344,579,737	477,107,352	352,001,518	896,017,656
1943-44	27,674	760,098	216,378,811	353,211,308	489,224,854	366,235,487	891,792,216

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—STATE DETAILS.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1941-42.							
1. Factories .. No.	10,166	8,918	2,788	2,167	1,938	994	26,971
2. Hands employed (a) ..	298,245	258,400	61,309	65,252	23,980	17,556	725,342
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	75,757,656	64,363,277	14,476,768	16,234,161	5,499,568	3,720,779	180,052,212
4. Value of fuel used .. £	11,228,813	6,144,579	1,915,087	2,066,010	1,399,228	705,746	23,459,463
5. „ materials used .. £	189,469,148	140,198,887	49,384,624	33,264,628	12,452,275	8,390,918	433,160,480
6. „ production .. £	133,790,351	110,937,614	24,830,330	24,565,855	10,100,531	7,214,338	316,439,028
7. „ output of fact's. £	339,488,312	257,281,080	76,130,050	59,896,493	23,952,034	16,311,002	773,058,971
8. „ land & buildings .. £	65,015,509	50,091,565	13,082,394	16,665,829	7,093,250	4,384,553	156,333,100
9. „ plant & mchury. £	70,611,613	48,065,805	18,771,893	16,808,122	7,309,560	7,612,799	169,179,792

## 1942-43.

1. Factories .. No.	10,110	8,738	2,641	2,134	1,799	992	26,414
2. Hands employed (a) ..	315,524	262,358	64,292	72,748	25,813	18,310	759,045
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	88,900,826	73,035,253	16,737,545	19,243,290	6,477,113	4,472,816	208,866,843
4. Value of fuel used .. £	12,307,663	6,514,447	2,105,774	2,469,301	1,437,624	791,713	25,626,522
5. „ materials used .. £	207,599,130	149,630,126	55,063,141	36,745,047	13,845,868	9,836,766	472,720,978
6. „ production .. £	153,682,262	121,391,367	29,044,560	28,354,359	11,454,057	8,075,451	352,002,056
7. „ output of fact's. £	373,489,055	277,635,940	86,213,475	67,568,707	26,737,549	18,703,930	850,348,656
8. „ land & buildings .. £	72,622,902	52,642,052	13,159,140	17,473,537	6,770,121	4,926,195	167,593,947
9. „ plant & mchury. £	73,121,771	51,963,258	19,793,878	17,848,070	7,050,019	8,133,330	176,065,326

## 1943-44.

1. Factories .. No.	10,755	9,317	2,652	2,149	1,807	994	27,674
2. Hands employed (a) ..	323,032	261,331	64,682	69,561	28,101	19,791	766,493
3. Wages paid (b) .. £	93,518,326	73,961,193	18,071,689	18,711,413	7,417,595	5,193,603	216,873,819
4. Value of fuel used .. £	12,808,040	6,826,742	2,162,113	2,436,049	1,503,344	842,587	26,578,875
5. „ materials used .. £	223,603,640	154,490,654	57,945,796	36,730,842	15,193,718	10,960,204	498,924,854
6. „ production .. £	162,726,010	123,330,518	30,210,528	28,411,486	12,511,526	9,045,419	366,235,487
7. „ output of fact's. £	399,137,690	284,647,914	90,318,437	67,578,377	29,208,588	20,848,210	891,739,216
8. „ land & buildings .. £	78,978,013	55,062,982	13,262,504	17,629,235	6,920,805	5,293,066	177,146,605
9. „ plant & mchury. £	73,803,954	55,457,719	17,886,417	18,415,477	7,429,526	8,070,810	181,063,903

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Class of Industry.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	£	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..	5,733,723	5,846,992	5,043,168	4,758,486
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	6,154,014	6,191,079	4,841,965	4,528,864
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	18,395,727	24,828,034	29,111,775	25,928,424
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances ..	85,949,318	119,872,922	148,220,089	157,391,098
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	1,274,021	1,315,010	931,516	1,020,772
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	17,936,299	20,953,759	21,812,445	22,766,729
VII. Skins and Leather ..	4,465,300	5,156,273	5,473,295	5,885,080
VIII. Clothing ..	19,638,286	23,634,444	23,181,400	24,896,161
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	48,516,665	53,154,567	56,842,000	59,153,039
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	11,371,496	12,971,441	13,427,479	14,684,261
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..	4,648,226	4,863,463	4,061,659	4,063,839
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	16,237,985	17,080,273	17,238,875	18,350,059
XIII. Rubber ..	3,055,014	3,861,465	3,647,766	3,862,931
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	169,337	190,238	158,484	155,806
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	2,788,046	4,009,285	4,665,317	5,283,655
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,580,892	12,509,781	13,344,520	13,506,283
Total ..	257,914,349	316,439,028	352,002,056	366,235,487

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1943-44.**

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	23.43	25.98	20.72	27.69	25.40	24.91	24.32
Fuel and Light ..	3.21	2.40	2.39	3.60	5.15	4.04	2.98
Materials used ..	56.02	54.27	64.16	54.35	52.02	52.57	55.95
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges ..	17.34	17.35	12.73	14.36	17.43	18.48	16.75
Total output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	57.47	59.97	59.82	65.86	59.29	57.42	59.22

(a) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee (a)**

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939-40—Males ..	247.12	233.40	244.01	223.78	240.48	215.82	239.08
Females ..	107.20	113.55	98.71	90.85	99.45	97.41	108.09
1940-41—Males ..	265.35	260.54	249.91	242.30	251.14	229.34	258.77
Females ..	115.79	125.37	102.43	101.13	102.11	107.18	117.65
1941-42—Males ..	309.85	308.76	274.06	292.68	276.88	253.09	301.86
Females ..	134.96	148.57	116.88	134.47	111.89	116.55	138.44
1942-43—Males ..	344.72	344.06	308.49	313.74	304.34	290.30	335.17
Females ..	157.29	173.10	129.55	157.27	131.70	137.19	160.59
1943-44—Males ..	352.15	349.02	326.70	314.99	316.28	310.15	342.68
Females ..	172.07	179.55	151.65	170.59	150.14	161.57	172.62

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed over whole year, 1943-44.**

Sex.	N S W	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males ..	226,824	175,078	50,822	50,652	21,060	14,697	539,133
Females ..	96,208	86,253	13,860	18,909	7,041	5,094	227,365
Masculinity(a) ..	236	203	367	268	299	289	237

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

**Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.**

**OVERSEA SHIPPING(a).—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1939-40 ..	5,609,482	856,183	6,465,665	5,533,670	1,076,291	6,609,961
1940-41 ..	4,282,622	1,096,299	5,378,921	5,148,291	741,135	5,889,426
1941-42 ..	4,641,087	533,031	5,174,118	4,490,010	1,103,876	5,593,886
1942-43 ..	3,547,084	277,405	3,824,489	3,472,423	816,321	4,288,744
1943-44 ..	3,603,728	879,800	4,483,528	4,360,359	842,892	5,203,251

(a) Excludes particulars of vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies.







**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and  
Continent at 30th June, 1945—continued.**  
(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

<b>APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—</b>		
Apparel and Attire .. .. .	107s.	per ton measurement.
Blender Twine .. .. .	187s.	per ton weight.
<b>OILS, FATS AND WAXES—</b>		
Oil, Eucalyptus .. .. .	107s.	per ton measurement.
Other .. .. .	120s. 3d.	per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .	120s. 3d.	" " "
<b>PAINTS AND VARNISHES .. .. .</b>		107s. per ton measurement.
<b>ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—</b>		
Ore (in casks) .. .. .	126s.	per ton weight.
*Zinc, Ex Randon .. .. .	56s.	" " "
*Other than above .. .. .	81s.	" " "
Lust (in casks) .. .. .	252s.	" " "
Sheet (in cases) .. .. .	110s.	" " "
*Copper .. .. .	90s.	" " "
*Lead .. .. .	81s.	" " "
*Steel, Billets (up to 29 ft.) .. .. .	111s.	" " "
" (over 20 and up to 30 ft.) .. .. .	127s.	" " "
Tyres .. .. .	94s. 6d.	" " "
Tin Clippings in Ingot form .. .. .	36s. 6d.	" " "
<b>RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUB- STITUTES THEREFOR—</b>		
Rubber .. .. .	96s. 6d.	per ton measurement.
Leather .. .. .	234s. 3d.	per ton weight.
<b>WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—</b>		
Timber, Logs up to 40 ft. lengths .. .. .	40s.	per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50 ft. lengths .. .. .	43s.	" " "
" over 50 and up to 60 ft. lengths .. .. .	46s. 3d.	" " "
Sawn Undressed, up to 30 ft. lengths .. .. .	23s. 6d.	" " "
EARTHENWARE CEMENTS CHINA AND GLASS .. .. .	107s.	per ton measurement.
STATIONERY .. .. .	107s.	" " "
<b>DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—</b>		
Fertilizers .. .. .	107s.	" " "
<b>MISCELLANEOUS—</b>		
Soap .. .. .	107s.	" " "
Casein .. .. .	168s. 3d.	" " "
SPECIES .. .. .	25s.	per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS' SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,  
GENERAL CARGO, 30th June, 1945.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To.	From—					
	Brisbane.		Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Trans- shipped.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Sydney.
Brisbane .. .. .	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney .. .. .	31 0.6	..	31 0.6	..	40 6.0	..
Melbourne .. .. .	40 6.0	..	29 8.4	..	29 8.4	..
Adelaide .. .. .	51 3.6	..	40 6.0	..	29 8.4	..
Fremantle .. .. .	62 4.8	72 4.8	55 10.8	..	40 4.8	..
Hobart .. .. .	50 8.4	65 6.0	28 7.2	..	23 7.2	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	44 2.4	51 2.4	28 7.2	..	26 0.0	..
Auckland .. .. .	..	..	46 6.0	..	46 6.0	83 8.0
Wellington .. .. .	..	..	47 6.0	..	47 6.0	84 8.0
Lyttleton .. .. .	..	..	46 6.0	83 0.0	46 6.0	83 8.0
Dunedin .. .. .	..	..	46 6.0	83 0.0	46 6.0	83 8.0
New Hebrides .. .. .	..	..	81 0.0	..	..	..
Norfolk Island .. .. .	..	..	67 6.0	..	..	..
Papua .. .. .	81 0.0	..	81 0.0	..	..	..

NOTE.—The table above includes the following "war-time risk" surcharges:—30 per cent. in respect of Fremantle, Hobart, Launceston, Devonport and Burnie; 35 per cent. in respect of the remaining ports, excepting New Zealand; 12½ per cent. on 3s. 6d. plus 7½ per cent. in respect of New Zealand ports, plus 35 per cent. on 22s. where trans-shipped at Sydney.

## COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA TRADE.—MERCHANDISE.

## IMPORTS.

(BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.)

State or Territory.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45. (a)
	£stg.	£stg.	£stg.	£stg.	£stg.
New South Wales .. ..	46,032,964	54,150,437	84,980,736	98,858,220	99,152,708
Victoria .. ..	45,529,833	59,054,017	109,471,254	89,214,23	64,507,613
Queensland .. ..	6,338,886	7,058,810	7,548,542	12,755,603	12,955,781
South Australia .. ..	5,461,204	7,459,831	5,858,877	4,745,847	4,656,694
Western Australia .. ..	4,258,954	4,556,526	3,238,019	3,403,087	4,041,773
Tasmania .. ..	943,521	842,472	1,009,273	1,046,241	729,939
Northern Territory .. ..	84,694	139,889	..	..	..
Estimated unrecorded .. ..	..	16,093,815	..	..	..
Total .. ..	108,650,056	149,355,797	212,106,701	210,028,921	186,044,508

## EXPORTS.(b)

(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.)

State or Territory.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45. (a)
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
New South Wales .. ..	49,622,072	55,556,813	54,258,522	54,079,117	59,811,261
Victoria .. ..	36,652,733	42,622,218	34,549,851	36,546,893	38,407,985
Queensland .. ..	25,245,247	21,296,300	18,623,507	17,88,204	16,575,611
South Australia .. ..	13,196,561	14,383,781	9,423,375	15,585,236	18,455,704
Western Australia .. ..	8,436,435	10,938,963	5,312,301	11,422,675	11,787,132
Tasmania .. ..	1,559,664	1,872,469	884,879	1,148,759	2,506,297
Northern Territory .. ..	24,865	13,314	..	..	..
Estimated unrecorded .. ..	..	12,644,640	2,500,000	10,000,000	(d)
Total (c) .. ..	134,737,577	159,328,498	125,552,435	146,671,884	147,543,990

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transshipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched. (c) Estimated British currency values are shown in the next table. (d) Not yet available.

## EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.)

Year.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
	£stg.	£stg.	£stg.	£stg.	£stg.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1940-41	216,224,968	108,650,056	106,013,055	1,559,857	107,574,912	30 11 10	15 7 5	15 0 0	0 4 3	15 4 5
1941-42	276,564,178	149,355,797	125,714,550	1,493,831	127,208,381	38 15 0	20 18 6	17 12 3	0 4 3	17 16 6
1942-43	312,348,165	212,106,701	98,081,188	2,160,276	100,241,464	43 4 1	29 6 9	13 11 4	0 6 0	13 17 4
1943-44	327,132,221	210,028,921	113,787,208	3,316,092	117,103,300	44 15 5	29 14 11	15 11 5	0 9 1	16 0 6
1944-45(b)	303,844,101	186,044,508	114,872,343	2,927,250	117,799,593	41 11 7	25 9 2	15 14 5	0 8 0	16 2 5

(a) Excludes the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board oversea ships. The values of Ships' Stores in Australian currency were:—1940-41, £3,528,555; 1941-42, £5,791,983; 1942-43, £6,016,334; 1943-44, £8,478,714; 1944-45, £11,373,252. (b) Subject to revision.

## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the June quarters of 1944 and 1945, the calendar years 1943 and 1944, and the financial years 1943-44 and 1944-45.

Division.	June Quarter.		Calendar Year.		Financial Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943.	1944.	1943-44.	1944-45.
<b>CUSTOMS.</b>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages ..	110,780	136,460	608,362	470,640	469,314	506,558
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ..	1,432,167	1,485,100	5,719,184	5,777,630	5,644,023	5,725,003
3. Sugar ..	8	5	223	9	73	6
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries ..	165,541	203,523	704,036	644,072	614,036	789,549
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	214,349	321,181	1,077,971	970,567	1,008,432	1,094,477
6. Metals and Machinery ..	317,689	180,356	1,155,872	1,046,344	1,265,365	880,057
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	1,949,225	2,325,339	6,531,632	8,149,487	7,604,181	8,526,729
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	25,685	43,849	126,739	120,061	134,451	152,116
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	38,838	46,602	177,194	164,464	152,894	197,417
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	30,680	81,678	158,354	189,282	174,738	250,278
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	72,389	78,074	318,946	349,395	329,755	355,004
12. Leather and Rubber ..	49,171	33,256	280,876	282,957	275,860	226,799
13. Paper and Stationery ..	12,815	15,542	87,096	63,927	90,768	68,467
14. Vehicles ..	7,163	9,076	62,017	28,555	38,732	29,144
15. Musical Instruments ..	123	219	226	573	376	527
16. Miscellaneous ..	118, 01	253,036	638,563	498,668	535,524	763,659
Primage ..	527,102	611,946	2,380,571	2,380,579	2,476,838	2,330,884
Ships' Stores ..	7,177	8,594	38,182	32,650	33,826	34,379
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	28,930	34,679	121,285	122,140	116,420	128,960
Special War Duty ..	177,525	198,028	850,998	747,968	824,588	729,777
<b>Total Customs ..</b>	<b>5,285,558</b>	<b>6,066,543</b>	<b>21,038,327</b>	<b>22,039,968</b>	<b>21,790,194</b>	<b>22,789,790</b>
<b>EXCISE.</b>						
Beer ..	5,112,883	5,040,611	21,096,982	21,829,506	21,615,974	21,674,224
Carbonic Acid Gas ..	70,812	72,731	314,562	319,519	313,930	321,079
Cigarette Papers ..	224,546	173,442	848,113	854,573	876,630	799,126
Matches ..	284,811	293,135	1,273,578	1,143,398	1,199,508	1,195,737
Petrol ..	80,370	101,885	423,632	289,293	370,856	325,389
Playing Cards ..	10,308	11,315	45,969	44,868	44,381	43,913
Spirits ..	1,442,261	1,346,764	5,292,790	5,474,020	5,424,690	5,498,031
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff ..	4,352,983	3,879,842	16,960,040	16,869,617	17,189,269	16,001,124
Other Excise, including Licences, &c. ..	59,224	73,818	252,205	252,821	246,615	252,242
<b>Total Excise ..</b>	<b>11,638,698</b>	<b>10,993,543</b>	<b>46,507,871</b>	<b>47,077,615</b>	<b>47,281,953</b>	<b>46,110,870</b>
<b>Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections</b>	<b>16,924,256</b>	<b>17,065,086</b>	<b>67,546,198</b>	<b>69,117,583</b>	<b>69,072,147</b>	<b>68,900,660</b>
<b>Refunds and Draw-back paid ..</b>	<b>770,955</b>	<b>511,378</b>	<b>1,684,249</b>	<b>1,852,288</b>	<b>1,781,755</b>	<b>1,727,496</b>
<b>TOTAL NET REVENUE ..</b>	<b>16,153,301</b>	<b>16,553,708</b>	<b>65,861,949</b>	<b>67,265,295</b>	<b>67,290,392</b>	<b>67,173,164</b>



**VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF MERCHANDISE, IMPORTED INTO AND  
EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.  
(Subject to revision).

**IMPORTS (MERCHANDISE) (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).**

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.</b>	<b>£ Stg.</b>	<b>£ Stg.</b>	<b>£ Stg.</b>	<b>£ Stg.</b>
Fish—	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	120	319	486	644
Fresh, Smoked, Potted, &c. .. .	43	41	97	117
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	2	9	3	24
Potted and Concentrated .. .. .	18	3	45	6
Sausage Casings .. .. .	22	183	42	252
Milk and Cream .. .. .	5	27	8	28
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	2	10	7	28
Total, Class I. .. .. .	212	592	688	1,099
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.</b>				
Cocoa and Chocolate .. .. .	23	21	279	489
Coffee and Chicory .. .. .	137	117	348	530
Confectionery .. .. .	1	2	4	3
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates .. .. .	..	20	1	125
Fresh .. .. .	..	..	1	1
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i., preserved in liquid	..	..	2	1
Ginger .. .. .	1	12	2	30
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared .. .. .	80	22	235	134
Prepared .. .. .	1	..	3	10
Infants' and Invalids' Foods .. .. .	1	3	18	12
Liquorice .. .. .	7	12	23	31
Nuts, Edible .. .. .	86	205	154	318
Pickles and Sauces .. .. .	..	1	..	4
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape .. .. .	3	30	41	110
Spices .. .. .	30	44	98	162
Sugar and Sugar Products .. .. .	7	6	20	15
Tea .. .. .	880	1,043	3,288	3,692
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs .. .. .	30	5	92	44
Total, Class II. .. .. .	1,287	1,543	4,609	5,711
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry .. .. .	..	..	3	..
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Gin .. .. .	..	..	6	1
Whisky .. .. .	19	86	101	339
Other, including Liqueurs .. .. .	..	2	1	6
Wine—Fermented .. .. .	..	..	1	..
Total, Class III. .. .. .	19	88	112	346



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
Tobacco—				
Manufactured .. .. .	..	3	36	15
Unmanufactured .. .. .	370	175	4,213	3,080
Cigarettes .. .. .	..	..	15	2
Total, Class IV. .. .. .	370	178	4,264	3,097
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS .. .. .	6	20	31	77
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds .. .. .	2	4	24	35
Hair and Fibre .. .. .	26	6	52	124
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse .. .. .	34	63	176	207
Sheep .. .. .	..	1	2	2
Other .. .. .	34	38	192	191
Silk, Raw .. .. .	2	..	2	35
Wool .. .. .	1	5	48	63
Other Animal Substances .. .. .	2	7	17	15
Total, Class VI. .. .. .	101	124	513	672
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Copra .. .. .	40	70	417	271
Cork and Cork Manufactures .. .. .	34	19	77	115
Fibres—				
Cotton, raw .. .. .	455	513	1,123	1,627
Flax, Hemp, &c. .. .. .	..	37	93	370
Kapok .. .. .	..	19	4	65
Other .. .. .	113	65	400	387
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture,				
Mats, &c. .. .. .	2	3	25	30
Gums and Resins .. .. .	192	371	628	925
Pulp for Paper-making .. .. .	114	102	653	785
Seeds—				
Gardening and Horticultural .. .. .	58	24	182	98
Linseed .. .. .	114	309	761	1,184
Other .. .. .	37	65	248	290
Tanning Substances .. .. .	12	79	259	316
Other Vegetable Substances .. .. .	2	2	5	5
Total, Class VII. .. .. .	1,173	1,678	4,875	6,468
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL AND ATTIRE.				
Boots and Shoes .. .. .	2	2	11	25
Buttons .. .. .	2	6	40	19
Gloves .. .. .	..	20	..	20
Hats and Caps .. .. .	2	137	12	178
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c. (not knitted) .. .. .	..	..	..	2
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c. (knitted) .. .. .	1	..	2	3
Socks and Stockings .. .. .	..	..	9	2
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. .. .. .	9	67	11	340
Trimmings and Ornaments .. .. .	54	69	327	292
Other Apparel and Attire .. .. .	258	287	762	767
Total, Class VIII.(a) .. .. .	328	588	1,174	1,648

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
<b>CLASS VIII.—(b) TEXTILES.</b>				
Floor Coverings .. .. .	1	42	8	63
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys .. .. .	..	8	15	10
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	20	26	168	105
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck .. .. .	318	292	2,992	1,265
Cotton and Linen .. .. .	2,682	3,414	11,990	16,948
Hessian and Jute Piece Goods .. .. .	347	340	2,515	1,372
Lace for Attire, &c. .. .. .	..	5	24	12
Silk, including Artificial Silk .. .. .	1,262	1,726	4,840	6,502
Velvets, Plushes, &c. .. .. .	1	13	15	35
Woollens .. .. .	40	56	296	374
Other .. .. .	234	443	1,038	1,498
Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c. .. .. .	17	10	117	195
Sewing Cottons, Threads, &c. .. .. .	189	188	719	771
Towels and Towelling .. .. .	92	66	268	285
Other Textiles .. .. .	45	103	1,676	259
<b>Total, Class VIII. (b) .. .. .</b>	<b>5,248</b>	<b>6,732</b>	<b>26,681</b>	<b>29,694</b>
<b>CLASS VIII.—(c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES AND YARNS.</b>				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff and Fodder .. .. .	46	87	274	391
Corn and Flour .. .. .	127	1,075	1,615	3,867
Woolpacks .. .. .	180	76	1,058	1,027
Other .. .. .	9	10	94	45
Cordage and Twines .. .. .	28	20	772	125
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk .. .. .	280	370	1,176	1,270
Cotton .. .. .	411	340	945	1,608
Wool .. .. .	1	1	5	24
Other .. .. .	17	23	60	84
<b>Total, Class VIII. (c) .. .. .</b>	<b>1,099</b>	<b>2,002</b>	<b>5,999</b>	<b>8,441</b>
<b>Total, Class VIII. .. .. .</b>	<b>6,675</b>	<b>9,322</b>	<b>33,854</b>	<b>39,783</b>
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>				
Fats and Waxes, &c. .. .. .	37	89	247	306
Oils .. .. .	5,285	4,035	20,584	17,815
<b>Total, Class IX. .. .. .</b>	<b>5,322</b>	<b>4,124</b>	<b>20,831</b>	<b>18,121</b>
<b>CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>				
Paints and Colours .. .. .	88	143	434	488
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c. .. .. .	2	1	6	4
<b>Total, Class X. .. .. .</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>492</b>
<b>CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.</b>				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch .. .. .	84	53	318	261
Stones—				
Abrasives .. .. .	71	82	398	222
Other .. .. .	3	2	14	9
Other Minerals, &c. .. .. .	110	167	702	720
<b>Total, Class XI. .. .. .</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,212</b>

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
CLASS XII.—(a) MACHINES AND MACHINERY.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
Electrical Machinery, &c.—				
Batteries and Accumulators .. ..	50	80	86	202
Cable and Wire, covered .. ..	243	106	1,015	662
Dynamo Electric Machines .. ..	73	110	478	778
Lamps, Filament .. ..	33	23	84	108
Telegraph, Telephone Instruments, &c. ..	156	519	705	1,380
Other .. ..	867	985	2,483	3,316
Machinery—				
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c. .. ..	9	77	157	179
Dairying .. ..	12	24	96	113
Metal working .. ..	439	9	44 5	1,43
Mining .. ..	48	65	202	263
Motive power .. ..	1,781	1,978	8,221	10,149
Printing .. ..	8	16	29	35
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings .. ..	91	77	503	490
Machines—				
Sewing .. ..	63	110	248	314
Sheep-shearing .. ..	7	11	40	47
Weighing .. ..	7	10	27	44
Yarn and Textile-making machinery .. ..	70	75	297	284
Other Machines and Machinery .. ..	727	769	2,968	3,471
Total, Class XII. (a) .. ..	4,684	5,125	22,044	22,878
CLASS XII.—(b) METALS AND MANUFACTURES.				
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Washers .. ..	12	23	47	93
Leaf and Foil .. ..	16	18	56	79
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, &c. .. ..	101	106	609	326
Channels, Girders, Joists, &c. .. ..	..	..	..	5
Pipes and Tubes .. ..	53	27	193	118
Plate and Sheet—				
Plain .. ..	85	84	429	479
Tinned .. ..	965	766	3,801	3,994
Nails .. ..	17	9	45	47
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, &c. .. ..	4	19	48	58
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. .. ..	..	..	..	7
Wire .. ..	18	21	64	96
Lamps and Lampware .. ..	41	67	146	193
Platedware and Cutlery .. ..	148	133	492	483
Tools of Trade .. ..	349	312	1,347	1,444
Cycles and Cycle Parts .. ..	80	86	335	405
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Bodies and Parts .. ..	17	1	53	2
Chassis and Parts .. ..	1,622	2,585	12,128	8,914
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. .. ..	2	4	448	279
Other .. ..	8,344	7,921	52,191	26,043
Total, Class XII. (b) .. ..	11,874	12,182	72,432	43,065
Total, Class XII. .. ..	16,558	17,307	94,476	65,943
CLASS XIII.—(a) RUBBER AND MANUFACTURES.				
Total, Class XIII. (a) .. ..	404	258	2,612	1,555



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XIII.—(b) LEATHER, ETC.				
Leather .. .. .	4	9	32	27
Leather Manufactures, &c. .. .	3	3	18	12
Total, Class XIII. (b) .. .	7	12	50	39
Total, Class XIII. .. .	411	270	2,662	1,534
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber—				
Dressed .. .. .	28	58	48	190
Undressed .. .. .	54	318	475	929
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture .. .. .	19	17	89	95
Total, Class XIV. .. .	101	393	612	1,214
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS.				
Crockery and Household Ware .. .	111	157	356	570
Glass and Glassware .. .. .	72	144	306	459
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stone-ware .. .. .	17	33	118	115
Total, Class XV. .. .	200	334	780	1,144
CLASS XVI.—(a) PAPER.				
Millboards and other boards .. .	16	35	141	175
Parchment .. .. .	75	36	209	172
Printing .. .. .	293	562	888	1,874
Wrapping .. .. .	92	107	391	309
Writing and Typewriting .. .. .	140	70	714	636
Other .. .. .	131	116	535	597
Total, Class XVI. (a) .. .	747	926	2,878	3,763
CLASS XVI.—(b) STATIONERY, ETC.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c. .. .	200	341	1,164	1,431
Price Lists, Circulars, &c. .. .	2	4	12	14
Paperhangings and Wallpapers .. .	..	5	1	5
Pens and Pencils .. .. .	26	41	141	163
Other Stationery .. .. .	57	78	314	345
Total, Class XVI. (b) .. .	285	469	1,632	1,958
Total, Class XVI. .. .	1,032	1,395	4,510	5,721
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, ETC.				
Fancy Goods—				
Articles for games .. .. .	6	10	19	33
Toys, &c. .. .. .	..	10	1	23
Other .. .. .	22	14	98	82
Jewellery—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. .. .. .	..	..	125	1
Other .. .. .	2	2	8	5
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c. .. .	30	33	264	291
Total, Class XVII. .. .	60	69	515	435

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
Films for Cinematographs, &c. .. ..	78	120	402	476
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c. ..	67	64	217	353
Surgical and Dental Instruments .. ..	131	127	652	555
Phonographs, &c. .. ..	6	3	22	14
Other Instruments .. ..	51	74	225	272
Total, Class XVIII. .. ..	333	388	1,518	1,670
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids .. ..	30	17	99	72
Argol .. ..	..	..	10	2
Cream of Tartar and Substitutes .. ..	..	..	1	..
Cyanides of Potassium .. ..	26	33	57	127
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines .. ..	242	136	752	374
Other .. ..	92	305	602	749
Dyes .. ..	52	145	649	516
Fertilizers .. ..	215	297	889	1,385
Insecticides, Washes and Dips .. ..	30	58	151	191
Oils, Essential (non-spirituuous) .. ..	41	59	179	176
Perfumery and Preparations .. ..	18	20	87	89
Potassium, Carbonate, Chlorates, &c. ..	19	14	63	42
Salt .. ..	1	5	11	15
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash) .. ..	39	26	196	230
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) .. ..	17	76	40	117
Other .. ..	62	61	468	302
Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices,				
Syrups .. ..	8	17	82	28
Other .. ..	7	3	11	25
Other Drugs and Chemicals .. ..	256	333	1,52	1,239
Total, Class XIX. .. ..	1,155	1,605	5,855	5,709
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Articles of Celluloid, &c. .. ..	3	6	126	90
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, &c. .. ..	1	2	4	6
Brushware .. ..	5	12	17	23
Goods imported per parcel post .. ..	203	115	547	545
Musical Instruments, &c. .. ..	1	5	5	10
Oilmen's Stores .. ..	52	1	56	75
Outside Packages .. ..	1,087	678	3,972	2,719
Passengers' Effects .. ..	27	63	108	208
Packings for Engines .. ..	43	59	179	265
Soap .. ..	2	6	12	18
All other Articles .. ..	3,666	7,366	22,426	21,577
Total, Class XX. .. ..	5,090	8,313	27,452	25,536
Grand Total—MERCHANDISE .. ..	40,463	48,191	210,029	186,044

## ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
Grand Total—MERCHANDISE	50,680	60,360	263,061	233,021

## EXPORTS (MERCHANDISE) (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.</b>				
Butter .. .. .	980	1,378	6,871	6,126
Butter Fat (dry) .. .. .	..	..	29	11
Butter Substitutes .. .. .	115	279	722	1,065
Cheese .. .. .	371	492	1,954	1,975
Eggs .. .. .	75	181	376	443
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams .. .. .	233	283	628	672
Mutton, Dehydrated .. .. .	264	174	802	642
Potted or Concentrated .. .. .	18	21	123	105
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef .. .. .	217	634	1,246	1,663
Lamb .. .. .	344	33	4,142	3,218
Mutton .. .. .	138	179	502	725
Pork .. .. .	244	184	587	1,437
Rabbits and Hares .. .. .	5	107	41	175
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	1,139	1,579	4,093	4,486
Sausage Casings.. .. .	72	113	415	398
Other .. .. .	85	100	484	535
Milk and Cream .. .. .	366	527	1,448	1,781
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	88	147	383	556
Total, Class I. .. .. .	4,754	6,411	24,846	26,013
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.</b>				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa, Coffee and Chicory,				
Fruit Juices, &c. .. .. .	222	293	655	652
Biscuits .. .. .	193	248	928	619
Confectionery .. .. .	39	91	461	292
Fodders .. .. .	23	2	98	46
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants .. .. .	273	362	714	828
Raisins .. .. .	813	898	2,449	2,648
Other .. .. .	25	50	131	95
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples .. .. .	8	86	46	99
Citrus .. .. .	10	16	256	210
Other .. .. .	..	4	14	9
Fruits, preserved in liquid .. .. .	108	128	530	508
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped .. .. .	9	39	53	91
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley .. .. .	114	..	206	57
Wheat .. .. .	2,979	6	8,264	9,752
Other .. .. .	42	46	114	364
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps .. .. .	19	37	88	138
Flour (Wheaten) .. .. .	2,057	711	6,699	6,732
Rice .. .. .	242	162	591	509
Other .. .. .	123	138	476	527
Infants' and Invalids' Foods .. .. .	21	40	32	125
Jams and Fruit Jellies .. .. .	173	140	557	693
Sugar .. .. .	417	859	1,524	1,854
Tea .. .. .	38	66	135	151
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs.. .. .	382	808	1,596	1,858
Total, Class II. .. .. .	8,330	5,230	26,617	28,857



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry .. ..	82	233	338	694
Spirits (Beverages) .. ..	154	122	593	546
Wine .. ..	86	196	423	596
Total, Class III. .. ..	322	551	1,354	1,836
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff .. ..	44	127	331	287
Tobacco .. ..	106	225	532	533
Total, Class IV. .. ..	150	352	863	820
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle .. ..	3	..	3	24
Horses .. ..	9	1	26	3
Sheep .. ..	3	3	11	7
Other Animals .. ..	4	1	9	17
Total, Class V. .. ..	19	5	49	51
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds .. ..	19	22	64	160
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse .. ..	60	103	284	241
Fox .. ..	3	2	272	78
Kangaroo and Wallaby .. ..	33	65	261	358
Opossum .. ..	4	..	38	136
Rabbit .. ..	998	745	4,494	3,865
Sheep .. ..	240	745	1,338	1,833
Other .. ..	8	10	66	90
Pearl-shell .. ..	..	5	..	5
Trochus-shell .. ..	5	6	18	25
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	9,139	10,382	36,232	35,151
Scoured and Tops .. ..	1,865	2,731	9,535	10,650
Other Animal Substances .. ..	4	7	24	29
Total, Class VI. .. ..	12,378	14,823	52,626	52,621
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Fibres .. ..	81	179	654	708
Seeds .. ..	68	29	201	141
Tanning Substances .. ..	5	21	47	57
Other Vegetable Substances .. ..	7	8	49	79
Total, Class VII. .. ..	161	237	951	985

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS VIII.—APPAREL AND ATTIRE; TEXTILES; MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Boots and Shoes .. .. .	149	16	198	62
Other Apparel and Attire .. .. .	477	163	1,666	470
Piece Goods .. .. .	79	101	259	890
Other Textiles .. .. .	35	107	127	556
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns .. .. .	51	114	678	346
Total, Class VIII. .. .. .	791	501	2,928	2,324
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes .. .. .	22	93	167	248
Tallow, unrefined .. .. .	607	185	904	670
Other .. .. .	238	703	3,371	1,628
Total, Class IX. .. .. .	867	981	4,442	2,546
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES .. .. .	24	27	109	104
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.				
Coal .. .. .	48	74	182	224
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver Lead .. .. .	207	99	604	783
Zinc .. .. .	153	321	1,125	877
Other .. .. .	95	169	441	577
Other Stones and Minerals .. .. .	24	30	120	98
Total, Class XI. .. .. .	527	693	2,472	2,559
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
Machines and Machinery .. .. .	205	401	1,006	1,117
Iron and Steel .. .. .	133	322	819	1,196
Lead—Pig and in Matte .. .. .	77	1,235	3,158	5,558
Tin Ingots .. .. .	34	26	314	181
Vehicles .. .. .	42	339	372	692
Zinc Bars, Blocks, &c. .. .. .	275	639	1,203	1,879
Other Metals and Manufactures .. .. .	812	258	434	775
Total, Class XII. .. .. .	1,578	3,220	7,306	11,398
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.				
Rubber and Manufactures .. .. .	67	93	385	400
Leather .. .. .	109	126	500	560
Leather Manufactures, &c. .. .. .	10	15	53	47
Total, Class XIII. .. .. .	186	234	938	1,007
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber .. .. .	74	107	273	124
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture .. .. .	19	45	80	362
Total, Class XIV. .. .. .	93	152	353	486
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONE- WARE .. .. .	28	68	192	325

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS (MERCHANDISE)—*continued.*

Article.	June Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS XVI.—PAPER, ETC.				
Paper .. .. .	13	17	75	54
Stationery .. .. .	69	97	300	420
Total, Class XVI. .. ..	82	114	375	474
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones—Unset—Pearls, Cameos, &c.	3	2	11	9
Other Jewellery, Timepieces, &c. .. ..	8	27	103	81
Total, Class XVII. .. ..	11	29	114	90
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c. .. ..	7	10	34	41
Photographic Goods, &c. .. ..	15	18	39	67
Talking Machines, &c. .. ..	8	11	26	30
Other Instruments .. .. .	12	85	86	136
Total, Class XVIII. .. ..	42	124	185	274
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein .. .. .	1	..	3	1
Fertilizers .. .. .	3	5	16	12
Medicines .. .. .	63	107	208	232
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituous), n.e.i. .. ..	1	2	4	16
Eucalyptus .. .. .	23	32	124	136
Perfumery and Preparations .. .. .	92	102	268	243
Other Drugs and Chemicals .. .. .	109	280	580	971
Total, Class XIX. .. ..	292	528	1,203	1,611
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands .. ..	5	5	24	19
Oilmen's Stores .. .. .	25	517	452	989
Personal and Household Effects .. .. .	17	49	64	121
Soap .. .. .	122	68	341	278
Goods Exported per parcel post .. .. .	3	8	18	26
All other Articles .. .. .	1,713	2,686	7,850	11,730
Total, Class XX. .. ..	1,885	3,333	8,749	13,163
Unrecorded Exports (Estimated) .. .. .	(a)	(a)	10,000	(a)
Total { Australian Produce .. .. .	31,844	36,710	142,519	143,868
{ Other Produce .. .. .	676	903	4,153	3,676
GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE .. .. .	32,520	37,613	146,672	147,544

## ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
GRAND TOTAL—MERCHANDISE .. .. .	25,964	30,030	117,103	117,800

(a) Not available.



**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN  
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.				
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.	Pork.	Preserved in Tins.
QUANTITY.							
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
1940-41..	1,957,086	339,078	66,769	1,986,250	2,389,254	748,896	425,165
1941-42..	1,303,472	314,573	57,643	1,172,565	1,749,399	342,404	941,461
1942-43..	1,243,207	259,643	26,397	226,289	2,036,815	19,970	691,656
1943-44..	1,042,265	329,748	86,252	474,470	1,715,698	160,172	796,931
1944-45..	937,398	335,168	84,862	627,614	1,466,901	398,818	815,147

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1940-41..	11,973	1,544	440	3,762	6,142	2,303	1,874
1941-42..	8,125	1,428	395	2,498	4,671	1,108	4,550
1942-43..	8,086	1,225	206	561	5,496	86	3,238
1943-44..	6,871	1,954	628	1,246	4,644	587	4,093
1944-45..	6,126	1,975	672	1,653	3,940	1,437	4,486

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits Preserved in Liquid— Apricots, Peaches, Pears, Pine- apples, and Other.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Other.				Greasy.	Scoured. (b)

QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
1940-41..	1,431,725	29,887	444,978	28,174,469	15,438,107	4,908,801	603,459
1941-42..	1,434,660	39,731	499,131	13,387,573	8,273,681	7,363,434	927,842
1942-43..	1,298,535	24,172	134,464	13,526,462	6,834,379	5,181,276	516,692
1943-44..	1,680,747	36,299	211,688	20,195,075	11,810,882	4,551,147	702,954
1944-45..	1,734,227	18,597	217,047	19,434,870	11,195,390	4,967,171	816,536

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.
1940-41..	2,366	122	802	9,248	7,427	32,889	6,756
1941-42..	2,421	146	908	4,645	4,191	47,832	10,209
1942-43..	2,172	105	290	4,884	3,495	37,694	6,624
1943-44..	3,163	131	530	8,264	6,699	36,233	9,535
1944-45..	3,476	95	508	9,752	6,732	35,151	10,650

(a) Includes Veal.

(b) Includes Tops, Noils and Waste.

## Section IV.—Finance.

## (A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

## COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

## Receipts.

Sources of Revenue.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45. (f)
<b>TAXATION—</b>	<b>£'000.</b>	<b>£'000.</b>	<b>£'000.</b>	<b>£'000.</b>	<b>£'000.</b>
Customs .. .. .	29,410	25,209	20,806	20,607	21,488
Excise .. .. .	24,370	31,572	44,072	46,685	45,689
Sales Tax .. .. .	19,793	26,830	28,846	27,909	29,672
Flour Tax .. .. .	1,499	1,652	1,709	1,940	1,996
Land Tax .. .. .	3,191	3,691	3,873	3,819	3,664
Income Tax (a) .. .. .	43,305	77,564	141,027	183,799	215,534
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	8,963	10,451	10,903	11,088
Gold Tax .. .. .	1,452	1,030	525	318	343
Estate Duty .. .. .	2,364	2,845	2,696	2,761	3,090
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	..	2,994	4,704	5,027
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	80	145	222	329
<b>Total Taxation .. .. .</b>	<b>125,384</b>	<b>179,436</b>	<b>257,144</b>	<b>303,667</b>	<b>337,920</b>
<b>BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—</b>					
Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	19,075	21,639	24,391	26,679	27,872
<b>Railways—</b>					
Trans-Australian .. .. .	462	694	1,226	1,027	989
Central Australia .. .. .	244	742	1,584	1,737	1,046
North Australia .. .. .	186	306	792	823	820
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	8	5	15	15	11
<b>Total Railways .. .. .</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>1,747</b>	<b>3,617</b>	<b>3,602</b>	<b>2,866</b>
<b>Total Business Undertakings .. .. .</b>	<b>19,975</b>	<b>23,386</b>	<b>28,008</b>	<b>30,281</b>	<b>30,738</b>
<b>TERRITORIES (b) .. .. .</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>455</b>
<b>OTHER REVENUE—</b>					
Interest (c) .. .. .	1,186	997	1,081	1,166	1,202
Coinage .. .. .	753	868	2,589	2,023	1,907
Defence .. .. .	304	835	1,490	202	126
Civil Aviation .. .. .	138	185	401	770	1,173
Health .. .. .	14	114	14	24	12
Patents, Trade Marks, Copyrights .. .. .	57	55	58	67	77
Bankruptcy .. .. .	32	25	23	17	16
<b>Commerce—</b>					
Wool levy (d) .. .. .	84	86	82	85	75
Other .. .. .	3	37	258	115	13
Marine .. .. .	134	133	101	96	261
Net Profit, Note Issue .. .. .	1,462	1,658	2,248	2,629	2,949
Balance of Trust Accounts .. .. .	31	1,600	218	127	102
Other .. .. .	418	134	297	432	428
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>4,616</b>	<b>6,727</b>	<b>8,860</b>	<b>7,758</b>	<b>7,741</b>
<b>Grand Total .. .. .</b>	<b>150,482</b>	<b>210,041</b>	<b>294,459</b>	<b>342,188</b>	<b>376,854</b>
<b>PER HEAD (e)—</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>	<b>£ s. d.</b>
Taxation .. .. .	17 14 9	25 2 10	35 14 5	41 15 10	46 0 3
Business Undertakings .. .. .	2 16 6	3 5 6	3 17 10	4 3 4	4 3 9
Other .. .. .	0 14 7	1 0 3	1 5 10	1 2 8	1 2 4
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>21 5 10</b>	<b>29 8 7</b>	<b>40 18 1</b>	<b>47 1 10</b>	<b>51 6 4</b>

(a) Includes War-time (Company) Tax and Super Tax. (b) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (c) Excludes balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States). (d) For Publicity and Research. (e) Based on mean population of each financial year. (f) Subject to revision.

## Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure.

Departments, &c.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.(g)
War and Repatriation (1914-19) Services—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange..	9,569	9,682	9,384	9,313	9,121
War Pensions .. .. .	8,042	7,909	8,346	9,267	9,250
Repatriation .. .. .	845	829	850	902	759
Other .. .. .	147	198	141	122	159
Total, War, &c. .. ..	18,603	18,618	18,721	19,604	19,289
Defence and War (1939-45) Services—					
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange	2,640	7,112	15,119	24,762	34,198
War Pensions .. .. .	..	207	662	1,737	2,771
Other .. .. .	63,041	101,915	143,697	141,344	157,605
Total, Defence, War, &c. ..	65,681	109,234	159,478	167,843	194,574
Total Cost of Departments (a)—					
Governor-General .. .. .	30	31	29	32	49
Parliament .. .. .	548	473	487	599	603
Prime Minister and External Territories	1,283	1,350	1,384	1,623	1,651
External Affairs .. .. .	142	200	216	251	244
Treasury .. .. .	2,425	2,949	3,564	3,779	3,936
Attorney-General .. .. .	297	319	351	387	434
Interior .. .. .	963	955	917	881	937
Civil Aviation .. .. .	392	337	350	360	439
Trade and Customs .. .. .	963	956	872	816	873
Health .. .. .	296	300	386	379	393
Commerce and Agriculture .. .. .	911	976	1,022	1,034	1,043
Social Services .. .. .	162	282	393	412	443
Supply and Shipping .. .. .	229	241	246	275	273
Business Undertakings (a)—					
Postmaster-General.. .. .	15,877	17,528	19,939	22,481	23,993
Railways .. .. .	1,508	1,995	2,726	3,069	2,795
Territories (a) (b)					
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	679	698	677	698	737
Northern Territory .. .. .	462	520	329	302	295
Papua .. .. .	86	39	5	5	5
New Guinea .. .. .	7	17	2	2	2
Norfolk Island .. .. .	4	6	5	4	4
Total, Territories .. .. .	1,238	1,280	1,018	1,011	1,043
New Works (c) .. .. .	3,212	3,305	3,961	4,677	5,705
Invalid and Old-age Pensions .. ..	17,366	19,257	22,293	21,699	21,701
Child Endowment .. .. .	..	11,303	11,660	12,257	12,036
Widows' Pensions .. .. .	..	..	2,359	2,801	2,965
Maternity Allowances .. .. .	407	358	281	2,287	2,543
Funeral Benefit .. .. .	..	..	..	105	164
Balance—National Welfare Fund .. ..	..	..	..	25,525	27,293
Payments to or for States—					
Interest on States' Debts .. .. .	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585
Sinking Fund on States' Debts .. ..	1,557	1,580	1,588	1,578	1,633
Special Grants .. .. .	2,050	2,300	2,175	2,470	2,846
Grants for Federal Aid Roads .. ..	3,484	2,128	1,603	1,487	2,201
Income Tax Reimbursement .. .. .	..	..	26,432	32,047	32,666
Entertainments Tax Reimbursement ..	..	..	574	766	766
Other Grants .. .. .	250	138	140	127	122
Total to or for States (d) .. .. .	14,926	13,731	40,097	46,060	47,869
Relief to Primary Producers .. .. .	3,023	4,063	(e) 1,709	(e) 1,941	(e) 3,566
Grand Total .. .. .	150,482	210,041	294,459	342,188	376,854
Per head of Population (f) .. .. .	£21 5 10	£29 8 7	£40 18 1	£47 1 10	£51 6 4

(a) Includes interest and sinking fund payments. (b) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (c) Excludes Defence and War (1939-45) Services. (d) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States). (e) In addition, £3,085,000 was provided under War Services during 1942-43, £12,322,000 during 1943-44 and £14,280,000 during 1944-45. (f) Based on mean population for each financial year. (g) Subject to revision.



## Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

Particulars.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943 44.	1944-45.	Total to 30th June. 1945.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Defence and War (1939-45) Services— General Services, Works, &c. ..	101,581	210,877	402,852	377,157	266,040	1,387,321
Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.— Defence Buildings, Works, Sites ..	..	..	..	..	Cr. ..	8,694
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works ..	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks ..	Cr. 3	..	..	..	..	7,863
Lighthouses, Works and Services ..	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	..	634
River Murray Waters Act ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department— Telegraph and Telephone Con- struction ..	1,689	940	..	..	..	36,057
Buildings, Works, Sites, &c. ..	221	245	..	..	..	4,080
Subscription to Capital of Amalga- mated Wireless Ltd. ..	..	..	..	..	..	300
Radio Stations and Equipment ..	3	15	..	..	..	104
Serum and Health Laboratories ..	..	..	..	..	..	80
Other Health Buildings and Services ..	..	Cr. 1	..	..	..	22
Repatriation Buildings, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	47
War Service Homes (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways ..	Cr. 2	Cr. 18	Cr. 35	Cr. 10	Cr. 41	13,775
Territories (b) ..	Cr. 4	Cr. 7	Cr. 5	Cr. 6	Cr. 8	8,804
Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,062
Assistance to States— Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 45	Cr. 6	Cr. 6	(c) 223	..	2,667
Mining ..	..	..	..	..	..	284
Forestry ..	..	..	..	..	..	322
Farmers' Debt Adjustment ..	500	165	235	..	..	7,967
Roads ..	..	..	..	..	..	250
Wire and Wire Netting ..	..	..	..	..	..	609
Drought Relief ..	1,270	597	Cr. 23	..	..	1,844
Wheat Bounty ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c. ..	3,628	1,929	165	206	Cr. 50	110,543
GRAND TOTAL ..	105,209	212,806	403,017	377,363	265,990	1,497,864

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes Administration and other Public Buildings, A.C.T. (c) Adjustment of credits of previous years.

## Loans Raised in Australia during War (1939-45) at 30th June, 1945.

(Excludes Conversion Loans.)

Period of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Subscribers.	Amount Subscribed.		Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			For War.	For other Purposes.		
1/12/39 ..	£'000. 12,000	C'wlth. Bank	£'000. 2,000	£'000. 10,000	% 3½	1942, 1943, 1944
1/3/40 to 15/3/40	18,000	14,339	7,676	10,489	3½, 3½	1945, 1950-56
29/5/40 to 14/6/40	20,000	32,792	20,582	..	2½, 3½	1945, 1950-56
28/11/40 to 14/12/40	23,000	21,830	20,505	8,000	2½, 3½	1945, 1950-56
30/4/41 to 19/5/41	35,000	57,217	27,872	8,000	2½, 3½	1946, 1950-56
7/10/41 to 15/11/41	30,000	83,378	34,158	..	2½, 3½	1945-46, 1950-57
17/2/42 to 10/3/42	35,000	244,589	48,331	..	2½, 3½	1945-46, 1950-58
2/6/42 to 23/6/42	35,000	196,510	37,374	..	2½, 3½	1946-47, 1950-58
3/11/42 to 15/12/42	77,300	454,837	82,667	..	2½, 3½	1946-47, 1950-58
16/3/43 to 20/4/43	100,000	432,404	101,806	..	2½, 3½	1947-48, 1950-59
5/10/43 to 9/11/43	125,000	567,539	126,408	..	2½, 3½	1947-48, 1950-59
28/3/44 to 8/5/44	150,000	452,700	150,549	..	2½, 3½	1948-49, 1950-60
26/9/44 to 4/11/44	112,479	421,517	113,938	..	2½, 3½	1948-49, 1950-60
13/3/45 to 27/4/45	100,000	420,711	107,279	..	2½, 3½	1949-50, 1950-61
Total	877,779	3,400,363	(a) 881,145	36,489	..	..

(a) In addition, £6,586,016 raised for Defence purposes prior to 3rd September, 1939, was used for War purposes.

NOTE.—For a summary of loan liability, War (1939-45), as at 30th June, 1945, see following table.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE  
AT 30th JUNE, 1945.**

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Commonwealth—	£'000 (Aust.)	£'000 (Stg.)	£'000 (a)	£'000 (b)
War (1914-19) .. ..	159,317	90,745	..	250,062
War (1939-45)—				
Stock and Bonds ..	861,551	5,775	..	867,326
Advance Loan Subscriptions .. ..	6,349	..	..	6,349
National Savings Bonds ..	1,792	..	..	1,792
National Savings Stamps ..	67	..	..	67
Citizens' National Emergency Loans ..	5,789	347	..	6,136
War Savings Certificates ..	52,534	..	..	52,534
War Savings Stamps ..	410	..	..	410
Treasury Bills—Internal Bank ..	85,500	..	..	85,500
	343,280	..	..	343,280
Total .. ..	1,357,272	6,122	..	1,363,394
Works and other Purposes	35,607	64,112	15,790	115,509
Total—Commonwealth Purposes .. ..	1,552,196	160,979	15,790	1,728,965
Per Head of Population(c) ..	£210 3 9	£21 16 0	£2 2 9	£234 2 6
State—				
Debts of the States ..	514,278	361,391	25,309	900,978
Per Head of Population(d) ..	£69 16 7	£49 1 5	£3 8 9	£122 6 9
Total Public Debt ..	2,066,474	522,370	41,099	2,629,943
Per Head of Population(c) ..	£279 16 7	£70 14 8	£5 11 4	£356 2 7

**INTEREST PAYABLE.**

Commonwealth—	£ (Aust.)	£ (Stg.)	£(a)	£(e)
War (1914-19) .. ..	5,981,923	(f) 426,008	..	6,407,931
War (1939-45) .. ..	33,092,708	231,000	..	33,323,708
Works and other Purposes	972,024	2,614,472	771,780	4,358,276
Total—Commonwealth Purposes .. ..	40,046,655	3,271,480	771,780	44,089,915
Average Rate per cent. (g)	£2 11 10	£4 0 10	£4 17 9	£2 13 8
State—				
Debts of the States ..	16,742,183	13,927,674	1,257,593	31,927,450
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 5 1	£3 17 1	£4 19 5	£3 10 10
Grand Total .. ..	56,788,838	17,199,154	2,029,373	76,017,365
Average Rate per cent.(g) ..	£2 15 2	£3 17 9	£4 18 9	£2 19 9

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.).

(b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated.

(c) Based on estimated population of Australia (including A.C.T. and N.T.) at 30th June, 1945 (subject to revision).

(d) Based on estimated aggregate population of the six States at 30th June, 1945 (subject to revision).

(e) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(f) Excludes suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,221) due to British Government.

(g) Interest Free Loans, War and National Savings Stamps excluded when calculating rate.

### AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND BY THE PUBLIC.

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.	Reserve.	
				Amount. (a)	Percentage on total circulation.
	£	£	£	£'000.	%
1940 (b) .. .. .	13,927,376	44,444,954	58,372,330	16,269	28.1
1941 (b) .. .. .	14,318,069	55,069,055	69,387,124	18,559	26.8
1942 (b) .. .. .	14,879,107	88,189,429	103,068,536	26,777	25.9
1943 (b) .. .. .	15,456,884	126,935,667	142,392,551	36,518	25.7
1944 (b) .. .. .	15,925,325	171,910,855	187,836,180	48,200	25.7
1945 (c)—January .. ..	15,044,143	178,199,482	193,243,625	50,856	26.3
February .. .. .	16,719,392	176,524,233	193,243,625	50,856	26.3
March .. .. .	20,463,891	171,279,734	191,743,625	50,856	26.5
April .. .. .	17,708,803	168,534,822	186,243,625	50,856	27.3
May .. .. .	16,747,435	168,996,190	185,743,625	50,856	27.4
June .. .. .	15,934,018	169,809,607	185,743,625	50,856	27.4

(a) Includes English sterling, valued in Australian currency.

(b) Average of twelve monthly

statements. (c) On last Monday in each month.

### COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	30th June, 1941.	29th June, 1942.	28th June, 1943.	26th June, 1944.	25th June, 1945.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s. .. .. .	4,827,786	5,642,282	6,589,003	7,874,881	8,353,792
£1 .. .. .	28,580,257	40,193,726	48,732,250	59,080,577	74,253,098
£5 .. .. .	19,356,165	34,579,150	50,948,885	68,777,730	72,971,945
£10 .. .. .	9,072,290	14,163,860	23,319,440	44,440,940	27,133,190
£20 .. .. .	73,040	62,020	57,140	50,240	25,700
£50 .. .. .	2,091,300	2,773,200	3,443,150	3,812,300	1,130,500
£100 .. .. .	3,184,200	3,880,800	4,873,500	5,053,400	1,494,400
£1,000 .. .. .	679,000	1,319,000	393,000	422,000	381,000
Held by banks .. ..	14,044,234	16,125,894	14,491,985	15,253,829	15,934,018
„ public .. .. .	53,819,804	86,488,144	123,864,383	174,258,239	169,809,607
Total .. .. .	67,864,038	102,614,038	138,356,368	189,512,068	185,743,625
Reserve (a) { Gold .. .. .	74,839	74,133	73,780	73,780	74,133
English Sterling .. ..	17,630,183	26,536,433	35,067,683	49,219,717	50,782,217
Total .. .. .	17,705,022	26,610,566	35,141,463	49,293,497	50,856,350
Percentage on circulation	26.09	25.93	25.40	26.01	27.38

(a) Valued in Australian currency.

### OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June, 1945.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June, 1945.		Pensions paid during 1944-45. (a)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Amount.	Per head of Popn. (b)
New South Wales(c)	103,429	25,975	129,404	355	89	s. d. 50 6	s. d. 52 10	£ 8,993,577	s. d. 62 0
Victoria .. .. .	67,240	12,598	79,838	334	63	51 10	52 4	5,604,739	55 11
Queensland .. ..	32,710	9,085	41,795	303	84	52 1	52 9	2,943,029	54 11
South Australia(d)	22,030	4,510	26,540	347	71	50 8	51 11	1,811,704	57 5
Western Australia	17,713	3,414	21,127	360	69	51 2	52 3	1,473,298	60 4
Tasmania .. .. .	9,512	2,699	12,211	384	109	51 4	52 6	874,780	70 11
Total .. .. .	252,634	58,281	310,915	342	79	51 2	52 7	21,701,127e	59. 1

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year.

(c) Includes A.C.T.

(d) Includes N.T.

(e) Includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners, but excludes £163,993 funeral benefits in respect of deaths of pensioners.



## OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pensions Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension. (a)
	Old-age.	Invalidd.	Total.	Old-age.	Invalidd.		
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	£ 1,847,440	s. d. 19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,675	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,459	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,912	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,969	31,999	127,968	185	62	3,936,626	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	188	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	70	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,054	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	33 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	126,918	48,803	175,721	210	80	8,252,387	38 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,589	38 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,368	38 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	38 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,804	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	38 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,343	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	38 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	109	10,963,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,030	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,396	299,086	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,687	38 6
1939 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	15,991,782	38 5
1940(d) ..	272,896	58,696	331,592	388	84	16,459,245	38 6
1941 ..	276,760	58,921	335,681	390	83	17,366,365	(c) 41 5
1942 ..	275,456	60,597	336,053	386	85	19,257,025	(c) 48 4
1943 ..	267,239	58,081	325,320	371	81	22,292,855	(c) 51 1
1944 ..	257,186	57,942	315,128	352	79	21,699,100	(c) 51 11
1945 ..	252,634	58,281	310,915	342	79	21,701,127	51 5

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (c) Increases, including retail price adjustment since December, 1940, are as follows: 2s. December, 1940; 1s. April, 1941; 4s. December, 1941; 1s. April, 1942; 2s. July, 1942; 1s. October, 1942; 1s. January, 1943; 1s. April, 1943; 1s. August, 1943. Rate £2 14s. 0d. from 19th August, 1943. Adjustments are not now made on the retail price index-numbers. (d) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pensions list.

## CHILD ENDOWMENT AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

State.	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Number per 10,000 of population.		Amount paid during 1944-45.	
			Claims.	Endowed Children.	Amount.	Per head of Population. (b)
	No.	No.			£	s. d.
New South Wales (c) ..	205,472	365,436	705	1,253	4,699,887	32 5
Victoria ..	131,526	224,146	653	1,112	2,984,645	29 9
Queensland ..	81,047	152,257	751	1,411	1,983,075	37 0
South Australia (d) ..	42,381	71,918	667	1,134	934,578	29 8
Western Australia ..	38,643	68,316	786	1,390	905,508	37 1
Tasmania ..	19,224	38,354	776	1,547	528,554	42 11
Total 1944-45 ..	518,293	920,427	702	1,246	12,036,247	32 9
1943-44 ..	503,140	903,577	689	1,237	12,256,976	33 9

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions—18,116 in 335 institutions at 30th June, 1945; 18,396 in 321 institutions at 30th June, 1944. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes Northern Territory.

## WIDOWS' PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1945. (a)

State.	Pensions Current. (b)		Children for whom Pensions Payable.	Average Four-weekly rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during 1944-45.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Population.			Amount.	Per head of Population (c)
New South Wales (d) ..	17,022	58	No. 6,924	£ s. d. 5 10 0	£ 1,200,589	s. d. 8 4
Victoria ..	12,614	63	3,575	5 2 7	799,652	8 0
Queensland ..	6,492	60	2,332	5 6 2	436,943	8 2
South Australia (e) ..	3,569	56	1,023	5 2 10	231,932	7 4
Western Australia ..	2,894	59	812	5 2 4	192,763	7 11
Tasmania ..	1,564	63	618	5 6 0	103,567	8 5
Total 1944-45 ..	44,155	60	15,284	5 6 1	2,965,446	8 1
1943-44 ..	42,212	58	16,107	5 6 8	2,800,702	7 8

(a) The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July 1942.  
 (b) Excludes nine (1944-45) and eight (1943-44) pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Asylums.  
 (c) Based on mean population for the financial year. (d) Includes Australian Capital Territory.  
 (e) Includes Northern Territory.

## COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCE.

## Number and Amount of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Australia.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,580	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916	436,614
1940 ..	29,700	19,660	12,290	7,009	4,774	3,883	36	77,352	416,964
1941 ..	28,540	19,150	12,481	6,831	4,775	3,877	38	75,692	407,533
1942 ..	24,481	16,120	12,113	5,724	4,320	3,620	13	66,391	358,538
1943 ..	19,182	11,874	9,651	4,197	4,025	3,018	9	51,956	281,052
1944 (b) ..	57,792	38,653	23,743	12,636	10,439	5,804	(c)	149,067	2,287,000
1945 ..	61,755	40,582	26,432	14,361	10,909	5,582	(c)	159,621	2,542,801
Total since 10.10.12	1,460,696	960,323	557,562	321,678	237,073	158,165	1,124	3,696,621	21,544,746

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) From 1st July, 1943, the income limit was abolished and the allowances payable were as follows: (i) no other children under 14 years £5; (ii) one or two other children £6; (iii) three or more other children £7 10s. An allowance of £1 6s. per week is payable for the four weeks immediately preceding and succeeding birth of child. From 5th April, 1944, the age of children taken into account was raised to 16 years, and the allowance for the four weeks before and after birth increased to £1 17s. 6d. per week when twins are born and to £2 10s. per week when triplets are born. (c) Included with South Australia.

## WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1944.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.		
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	32,596	12,072	42,515	87,183	2 6 4	1 5 7	1 13 4
Victoria ..	27,552	10,114	35,802	73,468	2 3 7	1 5 9	1 12 2
Queensland ..	10,398	3,592	13,467	27,457	2 4 5	1 4 11	1 13 10
South Australia ..	6,180	3,136	7,902	17,218	2 8 3	1 8 7	1 15 8
Western Australia	8,089	3,273	11,149	22,511	2 6 0	1 5 9	1 13 0
Tasmania ..	3,780	1,253	5,822	10,855	3 0 9	1 3 6	1 16 5
United Kingdom ..	1,471	1,597	1,981	5,049	2 13 9	1 18 8	2 3 1
Elsewhere ..	292	120	309	721	2 3 5	1 9 11	1 15 5
Total 1943-44 ..	90,358	35,157	118,947	244,462	2 6 6	1 5 11	1 13 6
1942-43 ..	81,240	31,333	114,280	226,853	2 7 4	1 5 0	1 13 0

## SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1944.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Pensions Current—							
Old-age (Members of Forces) ..	1,607	1,126	670	320	432	80	4,235
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	993	861	713	424	445	192	3,628
Dependants ..	1,125	1,071	707	451	426	245	4,025
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	134	84	11	22	31	8	290
Dependants ..	181	122	18	37	35	13	406
Total 1943-44 ..	4,040	3,264	2,119	1,254	1,369	538	12,584
1942-43 ..	4,365	3,309	2,340	1,252	1,454	564	13,284
Average Fortnightly Pensions—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Members of Forces ..	2 5 5	2 5 6	2 7 1	2 6 3	2 2 1	2 5 1	2 5 5
Dependants ..	1 10 1	1 11 0	1 10 0	1 10 9	1 11 7	1 7 11	1 10 5
All Pensioners 1943-44 ..	2 0 6	2 0 3	2 1 3	2 0 3	1 18 7	1 16 10	2 0 2
1942-43 ..	1 18 7	1 18 4	1 18 8	1 18 6	1 16 7	1 14 0	1 18 1

## AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

## (i) WAR PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,674,462	2,618,564	2,560,477	2,576,241	2,897,870	3,661,182
Victoria ..	2,353,107	2,317,417	2,252,227	2,255,233	2,497,300	3,022,522
Queensland ..	890,710	873,635	853,757	846,584	943,691	1,177,089
South Australia ..	497,230	497,743	485,919	494,166	575,168	763,350
Western Australia ..	696,833	685,019	671,457	668,617	752,885	941,924
Tasmania ..	403,747	404,154	396,314	393,406	434,228	523,675
Elsewhere ..	303,200	285,714	267,880	267,664	265,854	258,867
Total ..	7,819,239	7,682,246	7,438,531	7,501,911	8,366,996	10,348,609
Includes (War) 1939-44 ..	..	..	18,772	207,324	659,384	1,730,471

## (ii) SERVICE PENSIONS.

Place of Payment.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	118,443	148,599	162,335	185,315	218,173	216,001
Victoria ..	103,232	118,577	126,971	140,916	163,116	163,377
Queensland ..	72,777	80,384	88,088	106,120	119,032	113,143
South Australia ..	51,474	54,377	57,758	60,105	61,953	63,525
Western Australia ..	46,044	51,851	55,783	64,652	73,503	72,096
Tasmania ..	15,137	18,595	19,564	22,548	24,332	24,392
Total ..	407,127	472,263	511,103	579,656	660,109	652,534
Includes (War) 1939-44 ..	..	..	..	..	2,314	6,403



## COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1943-44.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
	No.	£	£ s. d.	%
Individuals—				
Under £201 .. .. .	487,649	4,759,644	9 15 2	2.4
£201 to £500 .. .. .	1,204,315	54,205,459	45 0 2	26.8
£501 to £1,000 .. .. .	214,330	30,869,077	144 0 6	15.3
£1,001 and over .. .. .	59,973	57,230,074	954 5 3	28.3
Total Individuals .. .. .	1,966,267	147,064,254	74 15 10	72.8
Companies .. .. .	15,697	(b) 54,831,401	3,493 2 3	27.2
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	..	201,895,655	..	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1942-43. (b) Includes Super Tax, £3,304,961, War-time (Company) Tax, £3,154,536, and Undistributed Profits Taxes, £10,359,996.

## COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment year—				
	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—					
Resident Owners .. .. .	21,028	20,956	21,396	21,959	21,921
Absentee Owners .. .. .	2,584	2,559	2,365	2,562	2,450
TOTAL .. .. .	23,612	23,515	23,760	24,521	24,371
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—					
	£	£	£	£	£
Resident .. .. .	225,774,692	228,207,419	234,273,013	244,512,737	244,222,515
Absentee .. .. .	1,999,905	2,047,766	1,892,564	1,685,096	1,444,489
TOTAL .. .. .	227,774,597	230,255,185	236,165,577	246,197,833	245,667,004
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident .. .. .	257,346,942	257,277,026	272,109,061	277,242,136	275,288,688
Absentee .. .. .	2,167,995	2,196,814	2,080,107	1,991,916	1,580,307
TOTAL .. .. .	259,514,937	259,473,840	274,189,168	279,234,052	276,868,995
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	924,749	1,045,591	1,195,246	2,453,928	2,897,198
Absentee Owners .. .. .	10,082	10,673	11,324	20,509	20,338
TOTAL .. .. .	934,831	1,056,264	1,206,570	2,474,437	2,917,531
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	339,487	372,713	388,763	784,293	889,928
Absentee Owners .. .. .	3,267	3,342	4,248	6,113	5,204
TOTAL .. .. .	342,754	376,055	393,011	790,406	895,132
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,264,236	1,418,304	1,584,009	3,238,221	3,787,126
Absentee Owners .. .. .	13,349	14,015	15,572	26,622	25,537
TOTAL .. .. .	1,277,585	1,432,319	1,599,581	3,264,843	3,812,663
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED ac.	557,636,000	556,695,994	556,131,125	563,556,163	562,701,713
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	1.427d.	1.592d.	1.630d.	2.985d.	3.426d.

(a) Excludes Crown Leaseholds

NOTE.—No figures have been compiled for later years.

## COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1943-44.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
	No.	£	£	£
1-1,000 .. .. .	2,859	6,488,316	1,187,470	35,654
1,001-2,000 .. .. .	1,453	5,016,990	2,114,244	62,490
2,001-3,000 .. .. .	914	4,298,805	2,252,145	68,015
3,001-4,000 .. .. .	625	3,624,544	2,190,355	68,115
4,001-5,000 .. .. .	416	2,823,192	1,857,933	55,387
5,001-10,000 .. .. .	1,039	9,918,935	7,193,670	215,151
10,001-20,000 .. .. .	636	10,750,044	8,861,466	384,262
20,001-50,000 .. .. .	315	11,311,474	9,201,689	747,781
50,001 and over .. .. .	71	8,494,128	6,576,910	1,339,307
Total .. .. .	8,328	62,726,428	41,435,882	2,976,162

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1943-44.

## COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable in each month.—Australia.(a)

Year 1942-43.

Quarter Ended.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)			Sales Tax Payable.(b)
		12½ per cent.(c)	25 per cent.(c)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
September .. .. .	151,614	45,619	8,513	54,132	7,825
December .. .. .	151,789	42,691	8,500	51,191	7,461
March .. .. .	145,393	40,461	6,816	47,277	6,768
June .. .. .	147,697	42,718	6,521	49,249	6,963
Total Year .. .. .	596,463	171,489	30,360	201,849	29,007

Year 1943-44.

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)				Sales Tax Payable.(b)
		7½ per cent.(d).	12½ per cent.(c)	25 per cent.(c)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
July .. .. .	50,079	1,330	13,899	2,525	17,754	2,468
August .. .. .	50,752	5,337	10,473	2,364	18,174	2,299
September .. .. .	51,607	5,242	10,736	2,467	18,445	2,351
Total September Quarter ..	152,438	11,909	35,108	7,356	54,373	7,118
October .. .. .	51,921	4,786	10,678	2,645	18,109	2,355
November .. .. .	53,363	4,816	10,978	3,024	18,818	2,489
December .. .. .	51,289	4,477	10,408	2,918	17,803	2,366
Total December Quarter ..	156,573	14,079	32,064	8,587	54,730	7,210
January .. .. .	43,796	3,386	9,110	2,032	14,528	1,901
February .. .. .	49,189	4,419	10,897	2,396	17,712	2,292
March .. .. .	52,602	5,342	11,226	2,513	19,081	2,432
Total March Quarter ..	145,587	13,147	31,233	6,941	51,321	6,625
April .. .. .	44,877	4,254	9,443	2,111	15,808	2,027
May .. .. .	53,989	5,341	11,631	2,576	19,548	2,493
June .. .. .	52,206	4,731	11,469	2,232	18,432	2,346
Total June Quarter ..	151,072	14,326	32,543	6,919	53,788	6,871
Total Year .. .. .	605,670	53,461	130,948	29,803	214,212	27,824

Year 1944-45.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
July .. .. .	51,212	5,051	11,359	2,729	19,139	2,481
August .. .. .	56,640	6,167	12,255	2,935	21,357	2,726
September .. .. .	54,499	5,644	11,091	2,818	19,553	2,514
Total September Quarter ..	162,351	16,862	34,705	8,482	60,049	7,721
October .. .. .	54,955	5,445	10,773	3,066	19,284	2,521
November .. .. .	54,451	5,272	11,353	3,134	19,759	2,593
December .. .. .	51,469	5,042	10,224	3,064	18,330	2,422
Total December Quarter ..	160,875	15,759	32,350	9,264	57,373	7,541
January .. .. .	46,794	4,046	10,217	2,418	16,681	2,185
February .. .. .	49,074	5,529	10,544	2,806	18,879	2,434
March (e) .. .. .	52,200	5,800	11,800	2,800	20,400	2,610
Total March Quarter (e) ..	148,068	15,375	32,561	8,024	55,960	7,229

(a) From information obtained from returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade nor do they necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade.  
 (b) Includes Taxable Imports and Tax collected at Customs House. (c) The rates 12½ per cent. and 25 per cent. came into operation on 1st May, 1942.  
 (d) From 21st July, 1943, rationed clothing, &c., was reduced from 12½ per cent. to 7½ per cent. (e) Partly estimated—subject to revision.

## (B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. Adjustments have been made to the Budget figures, however, in order to obviate duplications within the combined accounts for 1943–44 and also when compared with those of earlier years. A deduction of £799,997 has thus been made from the Budget Revenue total of £73,270,524, and of £1,124,999 from the Expenditure total of £72,085,475, the surplus thus obtained being £1,510,051, instead of the Budget surplus of £1,185,049. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and have not been adjusted.

## STATE REVENUES, 1943–44.

Sources of Revenue.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Taxation (b) ..	5,967	4,100	2,345	1,716	(c) 942	825	15,895
Railways ..	34,501	16,109	16,250	5,956	4,420	..	77,236
Tramways (e) ..	5,700	(f) 129	..	..	515	..	6,344
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,844	2,558	..	2,026	1,930	4	8,362
Land ..	1,691	972	1,606	266	350	86	4,971
Interest (n.e.i.) ..	404	1,528	961	1,013	518	473	4,897
Commonwealth Payments (g) ..	17,637	8,818	6,713	3,857	3,827	1,896	42,748
All other Sources ..	4,727	1,330	1,093	711	1,087	215	9,163
Total Revenue ..	72,471	35,544	28,668	15,545	13,589	3,499	169,616
Total Revenue per head (h) ..	£ s. d. 25 7 8	£ s. d. 17 17 5	£ s. d. 27 7 6	£ s. d. 25 2 7	£ s. d. 28 3 4	£ s. d. 14 6 9	£ s. d. 23 8 1

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1938–39 AND 1940–41 TO 1943–44.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	51,710	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,894
1941 ..	59,895	29,183	21,540	12,925	11,432	(a) 2,921	137,896
1942 ..	65,866	33,112	23,663	15,002	11,940	(a) 3,359	152,942
1943 ..	71,534	36,490	29,284	15,192	13,152	(a) 3,290	168,942
1944 ..	72,471	35,544	28,968	15,545	13,589	(a) 3,499	169,616

## STATE EXPENDITURES, 1943–44.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	15,667	8,400	6,712	5,345	4,612	1,406	42,142
Railways ..	27,375	12,790	12,672	4,909	3,625	4	61,375
Tramways (e) ..	5,340	..	..	..	387	..	5,727
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	979	1,454	1	867	1,071	(d) 208	4,580
Education ..	6,383	3,654	1,896	1,215	979	529	14,656
Hospitals ..	2,893	1,676	865	644	431	212	6,721
Other Charities ..	1,633	908	718	182	221	106	3,768
All other Expenditure	10,691	6,042	(f) 5,990	2,367	2,225	1,004	28,319
Total Expenditure	70,961	34,924	28,854	15,529	13,551	3,469	167,288
Total Expenditure per head (h) ..	£ s. d. 24 17 1	£ s. d. 17 11 2	£ s. d. 27 5 5	£ s. d. 25 2 1	£ s. d. 28 1 9	£ s. d. 14 4 3	£ s. d. 23 1 8

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1938–39 AND 1940–41 TO 1943–44.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	54,163	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	128,764
1941 ..	60,319	29,040	21,511	13,008	11,421	(a) 3,103	138,402
1942 ..	64,824	32,320	23,599	13,712	11,939	(a) 3,357	149,751
1943 ..	69,989	35,736	29,182	14,960	13,127	(a) 3,400	166,394
1944 ..	70,961	34,924	28,854	15,529	13,551	(a) 3,469	167,288

(a) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of Transport Commission. Motor taxation collections are also now paid to the Commission's Fund. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1943–44, see p. 41. Excludes Commonwealth reimbursements. (c) Gross collections. (d) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (e) Includes Omnibuses. (f) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Includes Commonwealth Income and Entertainment Tax reimbursements. (h) Based on mean population for the financial year. (i) Losses of Transport Commission. (j) Includes £1,420,000 transferred to Post-war Reconstruction and Development Fund. An additional £1,750,000 is included in Railway expenditure.



## STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1943-44.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Railways.. ..	1,510	470	409	370	15	261	3,035
Tramways (b) ..	Cr. 321	..	..	Cr. 50	9	..	Cr. 362
Roads and Bridges ..	Cr. 69	Cr. 30	164	Cr. 16	..	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c.	130	Cr. 6	198	9	Cr. 72	31	339
Water Supply and Sewerage .. ..	36	120	Cr. 865	804	16	..	111
Electricity Supply..	23	..	..	..	16	319	358
Public Buildings ..	339	158	86	131	83	49	846
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 147	Cr. 50	..	..	..	Cr. 11	Cr. 208
Other Public Works, &c.(c) .. ..	Cr. 14	Cr. 5	563	Cr. 264	Cr. 1	9	288
Primary Production—Land Settlement (d) ..	Cr. 25	Cr. 656	Cr. 19	Cr. 308	Cr. 110	Cr. 154	Cr. 1,272
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage .. ..	Cr. 60	..	Cr. 14	25	22	..	Cr. 27
Other .. ..	9	128	Cr. 77	Cr. 25	114	5	144
Other purposes .. ..	..	Cr. 1	Cr. 100	Cr. 200	14	..	Cr. 287
Total Works, &c.	1,411	128	345	476	106	499	2,965
Per Head (e) .. ..	£ s. d. 0 9 11	£ s. d. 0 1 3	£ s. d. 0 6 6	£ s. d. 0 15 5	£ s. d. 0 4 5	£ s. d. 2 0 10	£ s. d. 0 8 2
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	Cr. 6,500	..	..	..	Cr. 38	109	Cr. 6,429
Other(f) .. ..	35	..	..	..	..	1,067	1,102
Grand Total .. ..	Cr. 5,054	128	345	476	68	1,675	Cr. 2,362

## TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1944

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic (a) g.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Railways, Tramways (b)	167,040	79,263	66,813	39,827	27,088	7,775	387,806
Roads and Bridges ..	20,857	12,646	5,460	3,842	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c.	22,364	1,408	3,504	8,547	7,514	7,297	96,622
Water Supply and Sewerage .. ..	40,985	32,016	942	22,733	14,905	..	111,581
Electricity Supply ..	2,568	17,839	..	1,925	7,830	30,162	30,162
Public Buildings ..	18,176	8,367	7,570	3,956	2,867	3,010	43,946
Unemployment Relief..	17,010	13,143	..	..	(h)	333	30,486
Other Public Works, &c. (c) .. ..	11,567	3,668	26,622	7,725	3,072	3,738	56,392
Primary Production—Land Settlement (d) ..	12,301	44,062	5,592	11,372	17,624	2,775	93,726
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	19,406	..	1,967	9,212	3,886	..	34,471
Other .. ..	7,827	5,680	8,046	2,166	14,307	26	38,052
Other purposes .. ..	89	212	224	4,043	3,612	..	8,180
Total Works .. ..	340,190	218,304	126,740	113,423	99,983	32,784	931,424
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	33,030	4,864	5,827	8,669	12,042	1,126	65,558
Other (f) .. ..	18,162	5,834	10,332	1,272	4,169	1,596	41,365
Grand Total .. ..	391,382	229,002	142,899	123,364	116,194	35,506	1,038,347

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of Loans: includes expenditure from Loan Funds from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses.

(c) Includes Loans to Local Bodies, Housing, &c. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year. (f) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (g) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure.

(h) Not available separately—distributed over individual items.

## STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Australia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
	Aust.	Stg.	(a)	(b)	Aust.	Stg.	(a)	(b)
New South Wales ..	197,568	145,921	11,562	355,051	6,148	5,561	558	12,267
Victoria .. ..	113,570	61,336	4,499	179,405	3,841	2,295	221	6,357
Queensland .. ..	67,343	58,819	5,271	131,433	2,270	2,375	279	4,924
South Australia ..	64,321	42,817	1,733	108,871	2,170	1,678	87	3,935
Western Australia ..	50,137	43,742	2,016	95,895	1,664	1,688	101	3,453
Tasmania .. ..	21,339	8,756	228	30,323	649	331	11	991
Total .. ..	514,278	361,391	25,309	900,978	16,742	13,928	1,257	31,927

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable takes no account of exchange.

## (C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Year ended June—					
	1943-44.			1944-45.		
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales(a) ..	73,409	72,238	+ 1,171	74,798	73,830	+ 968
Victoria ..	35,544	34,924	+ 620	(c) 35,000	(c) 35,000	+ ..
Queensland ..	28,968	28,854	+ 114	26,447	25,878	+ 569
South Australia ..	15,545	15,529	+ 16	16,113	16,113	+ ..
Western Australia ..	13,589	13,551	+ 38	13,954	13,949	+ 5
Tasmania ..	3,499	3,469	+ 30	3,656	3,675	- 19
Total, Six States ..	170,554	168,565	+ 1,989	169,968	168,445	+ 1,523
Commonwealth ..	342,188	342,188	..	386,854	376,854	..
Grand Total (b) ..	468,074	466,085	+ 1,989	500,960	499,437	+ 1,523

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts and special grants; also deductions have been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government. (c) Approximate.

## REVENUE FROM COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS AND TAXATION AND EXPENDITURE ON ADMINISTRATION, ETC.

State, &c.	Revenue from Commonwealth Payments.(a)		Revenue from Taxation.(b)		Expenditure—			
					Administration, Works and Social Services.		Debt Services.	
	Year ended June—							
	1943-44.	1944-45.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	17,636	17,908	5,942	6,061	22,717	27,111	15,657	15,816
Victoria ..	8,818	(e) 8,923	4,236	(e) 4,147	13,271	(d)	8,340	(d)
Queensland ..	6,712	6,830	2,341	2,332	9,619	8,013	6,516	6,570
South Australia ..	3,857	4,746	1,716	1,911	4,342	4,861	5,308	5,305
Western Australia ..	3,827	3,963	917	916	3,977	4,246	4,596	4,632
Tasmania ..	1,897	1,924	825	922	1,805	1,983	1,409	1,342
Total, Six States ..	42,747	44,294	15,977	16,289	55,731	(d)	41,826	(d)
Commonwealth ..	..	..	308,667	337,920	c229,885	c250,569	41,988	51,294
Grand Total ..	42,747	44,294	319,644	354,209	285,616	(d)	83,814	(d)

(a) Includes amounts received in accordance with the Financial Agreement, 1927, with Special State Grants and with the Income and Entertainment Tax Reimbursement Act, 1942. (b) Includes arrears of State income tax as State collections. (c) Excludes Territories, payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. Includes Defence and War Services (excluding interest, &c., charges), 1943-44, £142,497,000; 1944-45, £150,774,000. (d) Not yet available. (e) Subject to revision.

## BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

State, &c.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Year ended June—							
	1943-44.		1944-45.		1943-44.		1944-45.	
	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	35,963	7,822	32,735	8,012	28,061	6,603	24,926	6,777
Victoria(b) ..	16,109	391	d15,560	(d) 325	12,843	470	(e)	(e)
Queensland(c) ..	16,117	..	13,569	..	12,719	..	11,295	..
South Australia ..	5,955	2,026	5,521	2,151	4,976	903	4,949	998
Western Australia ..	4,420	2,393	4,271	2,538	3,624	1,354	3,652	1,419
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	(f) 255	..	(f) 350	..
Total, Six States ..	78,564	12,632	71,656	13,026	62,478	9,330	(e)	(e)
Commonwealth ..	3,601	g 26,680	2,866	g 27,872	2,520	g 19,145	2,251	g 20,618
Grand Total ..	82,165	39,312	74,522	40,898	64,998	28,475	(e)	(e)

(a) Excludes Interest, &c., charges. (b) Railways and State Coal-mine only. (c) Railways only. (d) Subject to revision. (e) Not yet available. (f) Expenditure on account of losses by Transport Commission. (g) Postmaster-General's Department.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1943-44 (a)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes. (b)	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties. (n.e.i.)	Motor Taxes.	Entertainments (Including Racing). (b)	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
N. South Wales	..	798	3	2,711	1,215	2,326	548	692	8,293
Victoria	..	199	360	1,778	324	1,582	488	484	5,715
Queensland	..	204	387	747	502	808	133	385	3,166
South Australia	..	85	297	400	223	572	128	68	1,773
Western Aust.	..	140	122	232	205	381	133	115	1,323
Tasmania	..	20	93	145	74	215	43	449	1,039
Total States ..	..	1,446	1,262	6,013	3,043	5,884	1,473	2,193	21,314
Commonwealth	67,292	183,799	3,819	2,761	..	..	4,704	41,292	303,667
Grand Total	67,292	185,245	5,081	8,774	3,043	5,884	6,177	43,485	324,981

## PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(c)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
N. South Wales	..	0 5 7	..	0 19 0	0 8 6	0 16 4	0 3 10	0 4 10	2 13 1
Victoria	..	0 2 0	0 3 7	0 17 11	0 8 4	0 15 11	0 4 11	0 4 10	2 17 6
Queensland	..	0 3 10	0 7 4	0 14 1	0 9 6	0 15 3	0 2 6	0 7 4	2 19 10
South Australia	..	0 2 9	0 9 7	0 12 11	0 7 3	0 18 6	0 4 2	0 2 2	2 17 4
Western Aust.	..	0 5 10	0 5 1	0 9 8	0 8 6	0 15 9	0 5 6	0 4 9	2 15 1
Tasmania	..	0 1 7	0 7 7	0 11 10	0 6 1	0 17 7	0 3 7	1 16 11	4 5 2
Total States ..	..	0 4 0	0 3 6	0 16 7	0 8 5	0 16 3	0 4 0	0 6 1	2 18 10
Commonwealth	9 5 3	25 5 11	0 10 6	0 7 7	..	..	0 12 11	5 13 8	41 15 10
Grand Total	9 5 3	25 9 11	0 14 0	1 4 1	0 8 5	0 16 3	0 16 11	5 19 8	44 14 6

(a) The foregoing particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 28 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts 1942. (c) Based on mean population for the financial year.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Tax.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1940-41 ..	53,780	43,305	19,793	8,506	125,384	56,304	181,688
1941-42 ..	50,761	77,561	26,830	18,260	179,435	57,260	236,695
1942-43 ..	64,878	141,027	28,846	22,393	257,144	(a) 26,329	283,473
1943-44 ..	67,292	183,799	27,909	24,667	303,667	(a) 21,314	324,981
1944-45 ..	67,177	215,534	29,672	25,537	337,920	(a)(c)21,843	359,763

## PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(b)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1940-41 ..	7 12 2	6 2 6	2 16 0	1 4 1	17 14 9	7 19 9	25 14 1
1941-42 ..	7 19 1	10 17 4	3 15 2	2 11 3	25 2 10	8 0 11	33 3 3
1942-43 ..	9 0 3	19 11 10	4 0 2	3 2 2	35 14 5	(a) 3 13 4	39 7 6
1943-44 ..	9 5 3	25 5 11	3 16 10	3 7 10	41 15 10	(a) 2 18 10	44 14 6
1944-45 ..	9 2 11	29 7 0	4 0 9	3 9 7	46 0 3	(a) 2 19 8	48 19 9

(a) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts 1942. (b) Based on mean population of the Commonwealth and of the six States for each financial year. (c) Partly estimated.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1944-45.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Reimbursements—							
Income Tax	14,830	6,423	5,734	2,312	2,488	879	32,669
Entertainments Tax	161	374	..	97	98	36	766
Total ..	14,991	6,797	5,734	2,409	2,586	915	33,432
State Collections:(a) ..	8,456	5,850	3,165	1,911	1,311	1,150	21,843
Grand Total ..	23,447	12,647	8,899	4,320	3,897	2,065	55,275
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Per head of population	8 2 6	6 6 1	8 6 1	6 13 2	7 19 7	8 7 5	7 10 11

(a) Partly estimated.



## NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

Year ended June.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total, Six States	Common- wealth.(a)	Grand Total.
1944 .. ..	£'000. 1,412	£'000. 128	£'000. 345	£'000. 476	£'000. 106	£'000. 411	£'000. 2,878	£'000. 377,157	£'000. 380,035
1945 .. ..	1,723	(b)	431	988	541	446	(b)	266,040	(b)

(a) Gross Expenditure, Defence and War Services.

(b) Not yet available.

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.—(i) TOTAL DEBT.

		At 30th June—				
Particulars.	Where Redeemable.					
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
PUBLIC DEBT						
Commonwealth—		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	171,240	167,220	166,531	164,628	159,317
	London £Stg.	90,744	90,745	90,745	90,745	90,745
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	109,649	321,345	711,579	1,098,261	1,357,272
	London £Stg.	17,875	17,875	18,129	6,122	6,122
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	39,459	39,956	38,241	36,190	35,607
	London £Stg.	65,384	65,134	64,884	64,362	64,112
	New York £Stg.	15,877	15,876	15,790	15,790	15,790
Total ..	Australia £A.	320,348	528,521	917,351	1,299,079	1,552,196
	London £Stg.	174,003	173,754	173,758	161,229	160,979
	New York £Stg.	15,877	15,876	15,790	15,790	15,790
Total ..	..	510,228	718,151	1,106,899	1,476,098	1,728,965
State ..	Australia £A.	504,494	504,439	494,115	491,840	514,278
	London £Stg.	384,042	380,422	379,113	373,505	361,391
	New York £Stg.	27,486	25,817	25,610	25,415	25,309
Total ..	..	916,022	910,678	898,838	890,760	900,978
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	824,842	1,032,960	1,411,466	1,790,919	2,066,474
	London £Stg.	558,045	554,176	552,871	534,734	522,370
	New York £Stg.	43,363	41,693	41,400	41,205	41,099
Total ..	..	1,426,250	1,628,829	2,005,737	2,366,858	2,629,943

## (ii) DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
PER HEAD OF POPULATION.						
Commonwealth— War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	£ s. d. 24 2 3	£ s. d. 23 6 2	£ s. d. 23 0 8	£ s. d. 22 10 8	£ s. d. 21 11 6
	London £Stg.	12 15 6	12 13 0	12 11 0	12 8 5	12 5 9
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	15 8 9	44 15 10	98 11 2	150 6 2	183 15 10
	London £Stg.	2 10 5	2 9 10	2 10 2	0 16 9	0 16 7
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	5 11 1	5 11 5	5 5 10	4 19 1	4 16 5
	London £Stg.	9 4 1	9 1 7	8 19 6	8 16 2	8 13 8
	New York £Stg.	2 4 9	2 4 3	2 3 8	2 3 3	2 2 9
Total ..	Australia £A.	45 2 1	73 13 5	126 17 8	177 15 11	210 3 9
	London £Stg.	24 10 1	24 4 5	24 0 8	22 1 4	21 16 0
	New York £Stg.	2 4 9	2 4 3	2 3 8	2 3 3	2 2 9
Total ..	..	71 16 10	100 2 1	153 2 0	202 0 6	234 2 6
State ..	Australia £A.	71 5 4	70 10 5	68 10 10	67 9 11	69 16 7
	London £Stg.	54 5 0	53 3 8	52 11 10	51 5 2	49 1 5
	New York £Stg.	3 17 8	3 12 2	3 11 1	3 9 9	3 8 9
Total ..	..	129 8 0	127 6 3	124 13 9	122 4 10	122 6 9
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	116 2 9	143 19 8	195 4 7	245 2 2	279 16 7
	London £Stg.	78 11 5	77 4 11	76 9 5	73 3 8	70 14 8
	New York £Stg.	6 2 1	5 16 3	5 14 6	5 12 10	5 11 4
Total ..	..	200 18 3	227 0 10	277 8 6	323 18 8	356 2 7

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.—(iii) INTEREST PAYABLE.

Particulars.	Where Payable	At 30th June—				
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
INTEREST PAYABLE.						
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000. 11,249	£'000. 16,135	£'000. 25,145	£'000. 33,945	£'000. 40,047
	London £Stg. (a)	3,736	3,656	3,290	3,277	3,272
	New York £Stg.	776	776	772	771	771
	Total(b) ..	..	15,761	20,567	29,207	37,993
State ..	Australia £A.	17,866	17,284	16,863	16,623	16,742
	London £Stg.	14,955	14,500	14,501	14,311	13,927
	New York £Stg.	1,395	1,283	1,272	1,263	1,258
	Total(b) ..	..	34,216	33,067	32,636	32,197
Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	29,115	33,419	42,008	50,568	56,789
	London £Stg.(a)	18,691	18,156	17,791	17,588	17,199
	New York £Stg.	2,171	2,059	2,044	2,034	2,029
	Total(b) ..	..	49,977	53,634	61,843	70,190

(a) Excludes suspended interest (£3,913,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,221). (b) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange.

## (iv) AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June				
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.						
Commonwealth and State .. ..	Australia	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	London(a)	3 11 1	3 5 1	2 19 9	2 16 8	2 15 2
	New York	3 18 2	3 16 7	3 17 3	3 17 4	3 17 9
		5 0 2	4 18 9	4 18 9	4 18 9	4 18 9
Total(b)	..	3 14 6	3 9 6	3 4 10	3 1 7	2 19 9

(a) See note (a) above. (b) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable taking no account of exchange.

## (v) SHORT-TERM DEBT. (a)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June								
		1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000. ..	£'000. ..	£'000. ..	£'000. ..	£'000. 1,750	£'000. 80,481	£'000. 259,250	£'000. 343,280	£'000. 343,280
	London £Stg.	9,720	5,495	4,220	3,970	3,720	3,470	3,220	2,970	2,720
State ..	Australia £A.	46,408	46,598	50,228	45,463	45,423	45,083	39,200	33,075	330
	London £Stg.	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	24,879	23,730	22,868	22,868
Total ..	Australia £A.	46,408	46,598	50,228	45,463	47,173	125,564	298,450	376,355	343,610
	London £Stg.	32,875	28,650	27,375	27,125	26,875	28,349	26,950	25,838	25,588

(a) Excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

(D.) BANKING.  
ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (Includes Commonwealth Bank.)

Average for Quarters ended—	Deposits.			Advances.	Government and Municipal Securities (including Treasury Bills).	Percentage Non-interest-bearing to Total Deposits (d)	Percentage Advances to Total Deposits. (d)
	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest. (a)	Total. (b)				
June, 1941 ..	£'000. 189,643	£'000. 268,408	£'000. 458,051	£'000. 330,535	£'000. 142,928	% 41.3	% 68.9
" 1942 ..	227,076	255,646	482,722	323,850	198,429	47.0	64.0
" 1943 ..	314,609	301,820	616,429	291,680	352,250	50.9	45.1
" 1944 ..	385,681	308,812	694,493	270,864	399,090	55.6	37.2
Sept., 1944 ..	384,740	328,850	713,590	267,064	396,685	53.8	35.7
Dec., 1944 ..	399,264	324,108	723,372	253,361	410,149	55.1	33.3
Mar., 1945 ..	424,096	340,223	764,319	246,676	410,670	55.4	30.7
June, 1945 ..	431,868	330,573	762,441	251,705	443,490	56.6	31.4

(a) Includes Inscribed Deposit Stock of E.S. and A. and Queensland National Banks. (b) Customers' Deposits; excludes amounts deposited by trading banks with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes Short-term Loans, other than Treasury Bills, of the Commonwealth Bank. (d) In computing the ratios the figures relating to the Rural Bank of New South Wales have been excluded.

**NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS.**  
(EXCLUDES COMMONWEALTH BANK.)  
**AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA.**

Quarter ended—	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.(a)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1941..	167	3,580	932	157,746	209,956	367,702	372,381
" 1942..	167	3,912	1,061	193,619	195,493	389,112	394,252
" 1943..	167	4,452	955	258,441	199,519	457,960	463,534
" 1944..	167	4,767	1,026	319,928	220,685	540,613	546,573
Sept., 1944..	167	4,663	1,044	313,829	223,114	536,943	542,817
Dec., 1944..	167	4,956	1,131	335,511	225,078	560,589	566,843
Mar., 1945..	167	4,657	1,073	361,465	228,642	590,107	596,004
June, 1945..	166	5,097	1,083	364,288	226,656	590,944	597,290

(a) Includes inscribed deposit stock of the Queensland National and E.S. and A. Banks.

**AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.**

Quarter ended--	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities.(a)	Special War-time Deposits with Commonwealth Bank.	Land and House Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Discounts, Over-drafts and all other assets.	Total Assets.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1941..	2,139	34,225	102,354	10,297	2,737	2,537	283,054	437,343	
" 1942..	1,533	37,049	95,837	36,797	9,996	3,246	269,944	457,953	
" 1943..	1,819	30,573	133,785	100,401	9,881	3,928	244,776	528,018	
" 1944..	1,968	36,499	148,713	178,600	9,761	3,587	224,858	608,186	
Sept., 1944..	2,027	34,616	150,463	182,835	9,801	3,618	217,152	604,646	
Dec., 1944..	2,055	36,784	168,087	190,768	9,776	3,538	211,804	627,451	
Mar., 1945..	2,080	33,773	181,879	218,746	9,764	3,148	200,161	658,693	
June, 1945..	2,043	33,776	164,070	239,618	9,762	3,240	205,758	662,786	

(a) Includes Treasury Bills.

**COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.**

Average for Quarters ended—	General Banking Department.							Note Issue and General Banking Depart- ment.	Notes held outside Com- mon- wealth Bank. (d)
	Business within Australia.							Sterling Reserve and Short Call Money in London. (c)	
	Deposits.			Balances Due to other Banks.	Special War- time Deposits lodged by all Trading Banks.	Advances, &c., and Short- term Loans. (a)	Govern- ment and Municipal Securities. (b)		
	Not Bearing Interest. (a)	Bearing Interest.	Total.						
	£'000.	£'000	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1941..	28,699	55,150	83,849	29,078	37,286	24,626	37,976	74,201	63,724
" 1942..	29,815	57,132	86,947	33,076	100,844	32,129	100,057	58,590	94,917
" 1943..	50,953	98,684	149,637	25,885	179,454	27,026	213,961	80,913	133,350
" 1944..	60,618	82,400	143,078	32,864	183,832	27,800	243,432	143,998	181,109
Sept., 1944..	64,361	101,202	165,563	31,614	191,928	32,111	238,774	172,271	191,661
Dec., 1944..	56,629	94,309	150,938	33,231	220,087	23,787	234,258	177,029	195,095
Mar., 1945..	55,156	106,800	161,956	35,245	241,193	28,851	260,760	185,123	190,456
June, 1945..	59,956	99,294	159,250	30,527	27,818	27,818	271,417	185,025	182,658

(a) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate deducted. (b) Includes Treasury Bills. (c) Not to be taken as a measure of Net London Funds. (d) Notes held by Other Banks and by Public. See page 32 for details of Note Issue.



## SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1941 ..	87,750	85,689	29,089	27,510	12,521	8,941	357	374	252,231
1942 ..	94,538	94,226	31,214	30,616	13,821	9,472	(b)	388	274,275
1943 ..	122,406	121,249	45,197	38,563	18,884	11,174	(b)	522	357,995
1944 ..	162,867	153,887	65,479	48,592	25,791	14,213	(b)	701	471,530
1945(c)	193,203	182,149	80,094	56,995	31,763	16,914	(b)	846	566,964
1944—									
Apr. ..	156,025	147,623	61,629	46,642	24,500	13,684	(b)	672	450,775
May ..	157,045	149,079	62,589	46,949	24,802	13,863	(b)	685	455,012
June(d)	162,867	153,887	65,479	48,592	25,791	14,213	(b)	701	471,530
1945—									
Apr. ..	189,566	174,639	76,365	54,999	30,493	16,356	(b)	783	543,201
May ..	192,884	177,464	77,787	55,593	30,929	16,601	(b)	816	552,074
June(c,d)	198,203	182,149	80,094	56,995	31,763	16,914	(b)	846	566,964

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

(c) Subject to revision.

(d) Includes Interest added, 1943-44, £7.4 m.: 1944-45, £9.0m.

NOTE.—In addition to the savings shown above a net amount (i.e., total less re-purchases), of £52,534,000 was subscribed for War Savings Certificates between March, 1940, and June, 1945.

## COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK—DEPOSITS.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1941 ..	87,750	13,942	29,089	3,509	12,521	2,423	357	374	149,965
1942 ..	94,538	16,910	31,114	4,684	13,821	2,705	(a)	388	164,260
1943 ..	122,406	23,731	45,197	6,311	18,884	3,542	(a)	522	220,593
1944 ..	162,867	31,205	65,479	8,474	25,791	4,814	(a)	701	299,331
1945 ..	198,203	38,933	80,094	10,506	31,763	6,006	(a)	846	366,351
1944—									
Apr. ..	156,025	29,813	61,629	8,149	24,500	4,526	(a)	672	285,314
May ..	157,045	30,300	62,589	8,219	24,802	4,618	(a)	685	288,258
June ..	162,867	31,205	65,479	8,474	25,791	4,814	(a)	701	299,331
1945—									
Apr. ..	189,566	37,233	76,365	10,088	30,493	5,691	(a)	783	350,219
May ..	192,884	37,852	77,787	10,224	30,929	5,813	(a)	816	356,305
June ..	198,203	38,933	80,094	10,506	31,763	6,006	(a)	846	366,351

(a) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

## BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.

Weekly Average.	Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Year 1941 ..	26,978	21,841	21,021	21,010	4,676	3,753	2,234	699
„ 1942 ..	29,157	23,933	24,555	24,228	5,284	4,226	2,398	774
„ 1943 ..	32,351	27,649	27,109	27,061	6,424	4,760	2,638	879
„ 1944 ..	32,942	28,746	27,757	27,730	7,074	5,101	2,774	1,000
1945—								
27th Mar. to 30th April ..	29,138	29,138	26,825	26,824	6,445	5,046	2,664	1,124
1st May to 28th May ..	28,816	28,816	29,100	29,074	6,451	5,054	2,706	1,040
29th May to 25th June ..	28,243	28,243	29,308	29,282	7,518	5,571	2,750	1,057

(a) Average weekly clearings excluding transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales since October, 1930.

## Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

## A.—Railways.

## RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets and refers to lines available for general traffic only.

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,141 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,128 (66)
Victoria ..	4,759 (25)	4,759 (25)	4,766 (25)	4,758 (25)	4,748 (13)
Queensland ..	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,566 (182)
South Australia ..	2,557 (51)	2,557 (51)	2,557 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,547 (51)
Western Australia ..	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)
Tasmania ..	645 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)
Total ..	27,251 (721)	27,234 (721)	27,241 (721)	27,223 (721)	27,213 (705)

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

## CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.(a)

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth ..	17,191,356	17,332,574	17,433,858	17,700,704	17,823,993
New South Wales ..	149,203,908	149,575,526	150,661,127	151,849,840	152,144,668
Victoria ..	52,037,722	52,229,383	52,718,195	52,637,204	52,746,555
Queensland ..	38,891,138	39,299,815	39,349,083	39,479,733	39,907,071
South Australia ..	30,109,220	30,399,735	30,801,278	31,290,224	30,673,614
Western Australia ..	26,187,632	26,309,388	26,393,048	26,362,545	26,530,724
Tasmania ..	2,155,261	2,248,034	2,348,784	2,497,290	2,765,041
Total(b) ..	318,223,209	319,841,427	322,152,345	324,264,512	325,038,638

## AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,118	6,127	6,127	6,127	6,128
Victoria ..	4,759	4,759	4,746	4,758	4,748
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,566
South Australia ..	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,549	2,547
Western Australia ..	4,380	4,381	4,381	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	644	642	642	642	642
Total ..	27,226	27,234	27,221	27,225	27,213

## TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN(c)—'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	958	1,234	2,322	3,473	3,453
New South Wales ..	29,471	32,285	d36,368	e39,000	e37,100
Victoria ..	17,008	17,767	18,249	18,437	16,413
Queensland ..	14,190	14,603	16,396	d19,851	d19,794
South Australia ..	5,928	5,892	6,599	6,792	6,777
Western Australia ..	6,134	6,144	6,355	6,340	6,044
Tasmania ..	2,064	2,167	2,176	2,217	2,185
Total ..	75,753	80,092	88,465	93,110	91,766

## GROSS REVENUE—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	622	971	2,195	3,746	3,459
New South Wales ..	20,755	24,016	28,487	34,872	35,301
Victoria ..	9,861	11,239	14,520	17,030	15,882
Queensland ..	8,090	8,415	11,654	18,027	16,430
South Australia ..	3,168	3,512	4,944	5,811	5,979
Western Australia ..	3,556	3,572	3,996	4,417	4,387
Tasmania ..	536	600	686	843	871
Total ..	46,588	52,325	66,482	84,746	82,309

(a) Capital has been reduced during the past seventeen years by approximately £61,500,000 (Victoria, £25,700,000; Queensland, £28,000,000; South Australia, £3,100,000; Tasmania, £4,700,000).  
 (b) Includes £2,446,972, Commonwealth proportion of Grafton-South Brisbane Line capital not included with States. (c) Excludes "Assistant" and "Light" mileages. (d) Partly estimated.  
 (e) Estimated.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

Government.	1939-40	1940-41	1941-42	1942-43.	1943-44.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth .. ..	842	903	1,506	2,171	2,521
New South Wales .. ..	14,647	17,162	21,713	27,343	27,535
Victoria .. ..	8,058	8,959	11,600	14,040	13,214
Queensland .. ..	6,368	6,708	8,488	11,400	13,163
South Australia .. ..	2,937	3,062	3,856	4,661	5,213
Western Australia .. ..	2,828	2,758	3,026	3,447	3,796
Tasmania .. ..	688	757	854	965	1,136
Total .. ..	36,368	40,309	51,043	64,077	66,578
NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth .. ..	-220	68	689	1,575	938
New South Wales .. ..	6,108	6,854	6,774	7,529	7,766
Victoria .. ..	1,803	2,280	2,920	2,990	2,668
Queensland .. ..	1,722	1,707	3,166	6,627	3,267
South Australia .. ..	231	450	1,088	1,150	766
Western Australia .. ..	728	814	970	970	591
Tasmania .. ..	-152	-157	-168	-122	-265
Total .. ..	10,220	12,016	15,439	20,719	15,731
PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.(a)					
Commonwealth .. ..	% -1.28	% 0.39	% 3.95	% 8.90	% 5.27
New South Wales .. ..	% 4.09	% 4.58	% 4.50	% 4.95	% 5.10
Victoria .. ..	% 3.47	% 4.37	% 5.54	% 5.68	% 5.06
Queensland .. ..	% 4.43	% 4.34	% 8.05	% 16.78	% 8.19
South Australia .. ..	% 0.77	% 1.48	% 3.53	% 3.67	% 2.50
Western Australia .. ..	% 2.78	% 3.09	% 3.68	% 3.68	% 2.23
Tasmania .. ..	% -7.02	% -6.99	% -7.16	% -4.88	% -9.60
Total (b) .. ..	% 3.21	% 3.76	% 4.79	% 6.39	% 4.84

Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

(a) See note (a) on previous page. On the basis of the original capital the adjusted percentages for 1943-44 are as follows:—Victoria, 3.40; Queensland, 4.81; South Australia 2.27; Tasmania, -3.55; Total, 5.37. (b) Includes Commonwealth proportion capital Grafton-South Brisbane Line (see note (b) on previous page).

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

## PARTICULARS FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1944.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open .. ..	2,201	6,127	4,758	6,497	2,547	4,381	642	27,153
Revenue—								
cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	651	10,848	5,421	4,098	1,245	1,076	229	23,568
cGoods, including live stock and minerals £	1,826	14,172	5,805	7,966	2,877	2,119	380	35,145
cMiscellaneous £	60	(d) 1,174	900	(e) 439	130	85	35	2,738
cTotal Revenue £	2,537	f 26,194	12,126	12,064	4,561	3,325	644	61,451
cExpenditure £	1,646	20,184	9,748	8,738	3,649	2,844	(g) 747	47,556
cTrain-miles run	2,541	32,180	12,567	14,782	5,077	(h) 4,590	(i) 1,504	73,241
Earnings per train-mile	20s. 5d.	16s. 3d.	19s. 4d.	16s. 4d.	18s. 0d.	14s. 6d.	8s. 7d.	16s. 9d.
Expenditure per train-mile	12s. 11d.	12s. 7d.	15s. 6d.	11s. 10d.	14s. 4d.	12s. 5d.	9s. 11d.	13s. 0d.
Earnings .. .. %	64.88	77.05	80.38	72.43	80.02	85.53	115.93	77.39
cPassenger-journeys, No.	373	186,597	146,113	28,524	20,584	14,271	2,325	393,792
cCoal and Coke carried, tons .. ..	4	(j)	(j)	739	146	188	216	(l)
cOther Minerals carried, tons .. ..	5	(j)	(j)	252	340	86	(k)	(l)
cLive Stock carried, tons	32	(m) 600	(m) 403	404	207	120	23	1,789
cOther Goods carried „	330	14,061	5,767	3,252	2,105	1,443	500	27,458
cTotal Freight carried „	371	14,661	6,170	4,647	2,798	1,837	739	31,223

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane Line.

(b) Includes Road Motors.

(c) '000 omitted.

(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.

(e) Included with Coaching.

(f) Excludes Governmental contributions toward losses on non-

(g) Excludes depreciation.

(h) Includes Assistant and Light

(i) Includes Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles.

(j) Included with Other Goods.

(k) Included with Coal and Coke.

(l) Not available.

(m) Estimated.



GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.  
PARTICULARS FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH, 1945.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open .. ..	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,497	2,547	4,381	642	27,144
cRevenue—								
cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	643	10,272	5,378	3,734	1,248	1,061	228	22,564
cGoods, including live stock and minerals £	817	12,290	5,133	6,543	2,605	2,118	372	29,878
cMiscellaneous £	449	(d) 1,211	902	(e)	333	107	28	3,030
cTotal Revenue £	1,909	f 23,773	11,413	10,277	4,186	3,286	628	55,472
cExpenditure £	1,688	18,255	9,334	8,052	3,733	2,783	(g) 687	44,532
cTrain-miles run ..	1,935	29,121	12,124	13,303	4,937	(h) 4,739	(i) 1,553	67,712
Earnings per train-mile	19s. 8d.	16s. 4d.	18s. 10d.	15s. 6d.	16s. 11d.	13s. 10d.	8s. 2d.	16s. 4d.
Expenditure per train-mile	17s. 5d.	12s. 6d.	15s. 5d.	12s. 1d.	15s. 1d.	11s. 9d.	8s. 10d.	13s. 2d.
Earnings %	88.45	76.79	81.78	78.35	89.18	84.68	109.40	80.28
cPassenger-journeys, No.	366	188,243	145,963	29,631	18,496	13,886	2,343	398,933
cCoal and Coke carried, tons .. ..	31	(j)	(j)	726	134	66	173	(l)
cOther Minerals carried, tons .. ..	12	(j)	(j)	242	273	58	(k)	(l)
cLive Stock carried, tons	25	(m) 706	(m) 375	430	203	35	23	1,797
cOther Goods carried ..	240	13,213	5,266	3,147	2,070	624	461	25,021
cTotal Freight carried „	308	13,919	5,641	4,545	2,730	783	657	28,583

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane Line. (b) Includes Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.  
(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.  
(e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excludes Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Includes Assistant and Light Miles.  
(i) Includes Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles. (j) Included with Other Goods. (k) Included with Coal and Coke. (l) Not available. (m) Estimated.

B.—Civil Aviation.(a)

Particulars.	Nine months ended March—				
	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
Registered Aircraft owners					
(b) .. No.	120	119	(d) 128	116	(e) 116
Registered Aircraft(b) ..	202	192	(d) 184	185	(e) 185
Licensed Pilots—(b)					
Private .. ..	502	239	171	159	(e) 159
Commercial .. ..	187	181	233	305	(e) 305
Licensed Ground Engi- neers(b) .. ..	617	717	924	1,039	(e) 1,039
Aero Engines—(b)					
Government .. ..	79	72	69	69	(e) 69
Public .. ..	212	207	207	206	(e) 206
Government Emer- gency Grounds .. ..	116	116	96	78	(e) 78
Hours flown .. ..	58,995	52,450	43,302	62,047	79,228
Approximate mileage Miles '000	7,256	6,739	5,652	7,928	10,634
Passengers carried No.	112,121	123,782	103,241	172,278	231,881
Goods, weight carried lb. '000	1,529	1,922	1,617	2,222	3,042
Mails, weight carried—					
Internal .. .. lb. '000	161	274	954	1,824	2,112
Oversea(c) .. ..	197	418	122	301	305
Total .. ..	358	692	1,076	2,125	2,417
Accident—					
Persons killed No.	..	15	2	1	18
injured .. ..	1	3	3	1	1

(a) Includes particulars of the Indian Ocean service but excludes particulars of trans-Tasman service.  
(b) At 30th June of year shown above each column. (c) Includes gross weight (i.e. including weight of mail bags) of all oversea mails. (d) At 31st October, 1943. (e) At 30th June, 1944.  
NOTE.—Figures for flying operations during 1942-43 and later refer to the larger organizations only.

C.—Telephones.

Particulars.	At 30th June—				
	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
Lines connected .. ..	No. 525,547	No. 531,075	No. 540,261	No. 557,072	No. 577,777
Instruments connected ..	720,321	738,666	766,846	799,729	827,862

**D.—Motor Vehicles.**

(EXCLUDING DEFENCE SERVICE VEHICLES).

State or Territory.	No. of Registrations.				No. of Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders' &c. Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total
1943-44.									
New South Wales ..	182,287	79,000	14,897	276,184	423,452	2,070,935	214,192	60,303	2,345,430
Victoria ..	136,842	89,354	17,965	244,161	337,171	1,440,104	84,299	80,308	1,604,711
Queensland ..	68,247	50,788	6,103	125,138	264,346	692,880	59,837	65,565	818,282
South Australia ..	57,366	24,008	6,553	87,927	105,951	510,297	54,115	12,741	577,153
Western Australia ..	30,370	22,791	4,327	57,488	70,420	325,779	23,081	34,157	388,017
Tasmania ..	16,730	6,321	2,583	25,634	27,348	181,018	13,674	20,557	215,249
Northern Territory	174	1,570	35	1,779	1,177	1,878	537	..	2,415
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,375	437	97	1,909	2,577	9,881	1,421	69	11,371
Total ..	493,391	274,269	52,560	820,220	1,232,442	5,232,772	451,156	273,700	5,957,628
Total, 1942-43 ..	471,742	255,933	48,321	775,996	1,185,398	4,982,634	439,509	267,416	5,689,559

## NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS AT 30TH JUNE, 1945.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	186,802	138,655	69,000	59,196	30,704	17,064	174	1,430	503,025
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	83,980	96,705	53,798	25,121	24,263	6,959	1,570	459	292,855
Motor Cycles ..	16,068	19,820	6,394	7,484	4,501	2,815	35	109	57,226
Total ..	286,850	255,180	129,192	91,801	(a) 59,468	26,838	(b) 1,779	1,998	853,106
Total at 30th June, 1944 ..	276,184	244,161	125,138	87,927	57,488	25,634	1,779	1,909	820,220

(a) Includes extra-metropolitan area as at 31st May, 1945.

(b) At 30th June, 1944.

## NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING 1944-45.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total. (a)
Motor Cars ..	267	496	35	30	33	26	4	896
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	2,518	2,351	1,265	592	687	331	..	7,744
Motor Cycles ..	105	86	2	25	223	1	..	442
Total ..	2,890	2,933	1,302	647	(b) 948	358	4	9,082
Total, 1943-44 ..	4,193	3,903	2,685	1,217	1,240	552	10	13,800

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

(b) Subject to revision.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above, taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars and particulars of primary producers' vehicles in Victoria are included under the heading Commercial Vehicles, &amp;c.

**E.—Wireless.**

## NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES. (a)

In force at—	N.S.W. (b)	Victoria.	Q'land. (c)	S. Aust. (d)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
.. 1940 ..	458,155	348,158	151,110	124,891	87,764	42,182	1,212,260
.. 1941 ..	494,884	362,790	168,216	131,292	91,368	44,716	1,293,266
.. 1942 ..	500,451	371,502	172,527	137,244	91,945	46,404	1,320,073
.. 1943 ..	552,044	390,950	177,846	151,258	97,785	49,910	1,419,793
.. 1944 ..	560,032	409,325	180,090	155,253	99,246	50,356	1,454,302
.. 1945 ..	572,697	412,317	184,341	157,825	102,065	50,557	1,470,802

(a) From 30th June, 1943, includes licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Papua.

(d) Includes Northern Territory.

## Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

## TRADE UNIONS.

## Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.										
1940	190	147	115	118	140	77	4	15	812	(a)381
1941	193	146	115	117	141	76	4	15	807	(a)374
1942	194	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	792	(a)377
1943	192	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	790	(a)375
1944	189	141	112	112	136	72	4	15	781	(a)370

## NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

1940	601	387	309	174	200	71	..	1	1,752	(b)2,183
1941	599	386	309	174	208	71	..	1	1,748	(b)2,181
1942	597	382	308	174	208	71	..	1	1,741	(b)2,156
1943	592	382	308	175	207	71	..	1	1,736	(b)2,151
1944	591	382	307	173	208	71	..	1	1,733	(b)2,144

## NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1940	304,202	232,288	189,732	73,503	68,271	24,556	1,405	1,905	955,862	955,862
1941	425,522	270,343	192,015	95,289	65,015	24,292	1,406	1,798	1,075,680	1,075,680
1942	483,039	302,782	190,578	111,388	64,535	26,893	1,406	1,796	1,182,417	1,182,417
1943	498,169	311,791	194,225	107,311	63,880	26,130	1,406	1,951	1,204,863	1,204,863
1944	508,832	314,952	192,085	104,892	67,617	26,939	1,406	2,055	1,218,778	1,218,778

(a) Allowing for Interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Interstate unions, but also head State branches of Interstate unions.

## UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

## Unemployment—Australia—Number, Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed.(a)

Period.				Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
						Number.	Percentage. (b)
1940	Year	..	..	394	491,352	39,116	8.0
1941	"	..	..	395	536,660	20,013	3.7
1942	"	..	..	394	613,534	9,764	1.6
1943	"	..	..	390	678,713	7,545	1.1
1944	"	..	..	389	681,689	8,073	1.2
1932—June	Quarter(e)	..	..	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1941—September	"	..	..	394	541,883	17,541	3.2
December	"	..	..	394	572,680	16,628	2.9
1942—March	"	..	..	394	588,525	10,767	1.8
June	"	..	..	394	603,066	10,296	1.7
September	"	..	..	394	617,076	9,603	1.6
December	"	..	..	394	645,467	8,350	1.3
1943—March	"	..	..	391	665,334	8,021	1.2
June	"	..	..	390	680,292	7,423	1.1
September	"	..	..	390	682,557	7,356	1.1
December	"	..	..	390	680,667	7,361	1.1
1944—March	"	..	..	390	688,381	6,987	1.0
June	"	..	..	389	683,433	9,433	1.4
September	"	..	..	389	680,718	7,947	1.2
December	"	..	..	389	674,695	7,925	1.2
1945—March	"	..	..	389	683,632	7,616	1.1
June	"	..	..	389	679,227	7,795	1.1

(a) The quarter figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter: they include persons out of work through sickness, but exclude persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 72. (c) Peak of unemployment.

Note.—The unions covered by the returns represent 56 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.



## Unemployment (a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.				N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
				%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1940 Year	..	..	..	11.0	5.3	5.5	7.0	5.6	5.2	8.0
1941 "	..	..	..	4.7	2.5	4.5	2.7	2.9	3.3	3.7
1942 "	..	..	..	1.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	1.6	0.8	1.6
1943 "	..	..	..	1.4	0.7	1.2	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.1
1944 "	..	..	..	1.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.5	0.8	1.2
1932—June	Quarter (b)	..	..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1940—September	"	..	..	9.8	5.9	4.9	6.6	6.0	4.6	7.4
December	"	..	..	8.5	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.0	6.5	6.2
1941—March	"	..	..	7.0	3.2	5.9	3.9	4.3	3.6	5.3
June	"	..	..	4.5	2.4	4.2	2.8	3.1	2.4	3.6
September	"	..	..	4.0	2.2	4.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	3.2
December	"	..	..	3.5	2.1	3.8	1.8	1.8	4.5	2.9
1942—March	"	..	..	2.0	1.4	3.2	1.0	1.7	0.7	1.8
June	"	..	..	1.9	1.2	2.6	1.3	1.7	0.6	1.7
September	"	..	..	1.9	1.2	1.8	1.1	1.8	0.9	1.6
December	"	..	..	1.5	0.9	1.6	0.9	1.3	0.8	1.3
1943—March	"	..	..	1.4	0.8	1.5	1.0	1.6	1.3	1.2
June	"	..	..	1.3	0.6	1.3	1.0	1.5	1.2	1.1
September	"	..	..	1.3	0.7	1.1	0.9	1.7	1.2	1.1
December	"	..	..	1.4	0.7	0.9	0.8	1.4	1.4	1.1
1944—March	"	..	..	1.3	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.5	0.7	1.0
June	"	..	..	1.9	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.9	0.7	1.4
September	"	..	..	1.6	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.2
December	"	..	..	1.6	0.9	0.6	0.9	1.2	0.7	1.2
1945—March	"	..	..	1.5	0.8	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.1
June	"	..	..	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.8	1.1

(a) See notes to table on page 50.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among trade unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

## Unemployment (a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1932.	1944.				1945.	
	June Qtr.(b)	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. ..	39.6	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.7
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. ..	33.9	0.6	1.7	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.9
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. ..	19.3	2.3	3.0	1.8	2.3	2.5	2.5
IV. Clothing, Hata, Boots, &c. ..	22.6	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.8
V. Books, Printing, &c. ..	16.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	43.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.7	1.8
VII. Building ..	42.1	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.2
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. ..	34.2	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.0
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services ..	29.6	1.4	1.3	1.8	2.0	2.7	3.2
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV.(c) Other and Miscellaneous ..	22.2	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.5
All Groups ..	30.0	1.0	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1

(a) See notes to table on page 50.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

(c) For classification see page 55

## AUSTRALIA.—Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment.

Month.	Total Employment.(a) (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers. (c)	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (d)	Allied Works Council Projects.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (e)
MALES (Thousands).										
1933—June	262.2	729.9	992.1	36.3	251.7	..	164.5	212.3		112.6
1939—July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	54.0	391.5	..	208.0	115.0	128.0	140.0
1941—July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	54.4	490.9	..	202.3	102.0	117.1	127.1
Nov.	381.5	999.8	1,381.3	53.9	509.8	..	207.3	101.9	117.9	127.2
1942—July	420.3	888.1	1,308.4	47.7	513.2	51.2	205.3	79.4	96.6	111.8
1943—June	412.5	861.4	1,273.9	45.0	520.7	46.7	205.1	71.4	88.8	106.5
Aug.	412.5	857.1	1,269.6	44.7	519.2	43.2	205.8	70.3	88.1	106.6
1944—Mar.	408.5	868.1	1,276.6	44.2	520.6	32.0	210.3	70.7	90.9	110.6
April	406.2	865.2	1,271.4	43.9	518.2	30.4	211.0	70.6	90.6	111.0
May	405.8	865.9	1,271.7	44.2	518.2	28.6	211.4	70.9	90.5	111.5
June	404.0	867.5	1,271.5	44.2	518.2	27.0	212.6	71.1	91.3	111.6
Sept.	400.3	869.2	1,269.5	44.5	515.2	21.8	215.8	71.7	92.3	113.6
Dec.	396.2	872.7	1,268.9	44.2	508.8	20.5	216.1	76.2	93.4	115.2
1945—Jan.	398.7	876.1	1,274.8	44.7	510.6	20.9	218.1	74.5	93.6	115.5
Feb.	399.2	879.4	1,278.6	44.6	511.3	21.1	219.4	74.5	94.5	116.4
March	399.7	881.4	1,281.1	43.9	511.5	21.2	219.1	75.1	94.8	117.5
April	400.8	879.6	1,280.4	44.5	510.2	21.4	220.3	75.3	94.1	116.8
May	399.7	882.9	1,282.6	44.2	510.4	21.4	220.6	75.9	94.2	117.5
FEMALES (Thousands).										
1933—June	46.5	294.3	340.8	0.2	103.1	..	11.0	87.3		130.7
1939—July	55.2	381.9	437.1	0.4	148.2	..	14.4	81.0	34.0	129.0
1941—July	70.8	477.7	548.5	0.5	187.8	..	21.1	102.3	44.1	148.1
Nov.	76.3	494.7	571.0	0.5	198.2	..	22.0	106.4	47.4	150.4
1942—July	102.4	496.5	598.9	0.6	212.4	..	26.4	103.0	52.3	152.5
1943—June	129.2	502.1	631.3	0.5	228.6	..	34.5	98.2	52.5	157.2
Aug.	134.4	500.5	634.9	0.6	228.1	..	35.9	97.0	52.9	159.6
1944—Mar.	134.4	506.8	641.2	0.7	225.1	..	36.9	94.7	52.4	166.1
April	133.5	503.1	636.6	0.7	222.4	..	37.1	95.0	52.2	165.1
May	131.5	503.1	634.6	0.6	218.6	..	37.1	95.7	52.2	165.8
June	129.9	503.9	633.8	0.6	217.4	..	37.2	95.8	52.3	166.5
Sept.	127.6	508.7	636.3	0.7	215.5	..	37.4	95.7	53.0	170.7
Dec.	124.3	513.6	637.9	0.7	211.8	..	38.0	101.5	52.6	171.7
1945—Jan.	123.3	508.1	631.4	0.7	209.1	..	37.9	98.0	52.8	171.5
Feb.	122.6	513.0	635.6	0.6	210.9	..	37.9	98.2	53.0	173.4
Mar.	122.9	516.2	639.1	0.6	211.8	..	38.1	98.8	53.3	174.4
April	122.2	512.2	634.4	0.6	208.3	..	38.0	98.6	53.0	174.5
May	121.6	511.9	633.5	0.6	207.2	..	38.1	99.1	53.0	174.6
PERSONS (Thousands).										
1933—June	308.7	1,024.2	1,332.9	36.5	354.8	..	175.5	299.6		243.3
1939—July	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	54.4	539.7	..	222.4	196.0	162.0	269.0
1941—July	446.1	1,465.8	1,911.9	54.9	678.7	..	223.4	204.3	161.2	275.2
Nov.	457.8	1,494.5	1,952.3	54.4	708.0	..	229.3	208.3	165.3	277.6
1942—July	522.7	1,384.6	1,907.3	48.3	725.6	51.2	231.7	182.4	148.9	264.3
1943—June	541.7	1,363.5	1,905.2	45.5	749.3	46.7	239.6	169.6	141.3	263.7
Aug.	546.9	1,357.6	1,904.5	45.3	747.3	43.2	241.7	167.3	141.0	266.2
1944—Mar.	542.9	1,374.9	1,917.8	44.9	745.7	32.0	247.2	165.4	143.3	276.7
April	539.7	1,368.3	1,908.0	44.6	740.6	30.4	248.1	165.6	142.8	276.1
May	537.3	1,369.0	1,906.3	44.8	736.8	28.6	248.5	166.6	142.7	277.3
June	533.9	1,371.4	1,905.3	44.8	735.6	27.0	249.8	166.9	143.6	278.1
Sept.	527.9	1,377.9	1,905.8	45.2	730.7	21.8	253.2	167.4	145.3	284.3
Dec.	520.5	1,386.3	1,906.8	44.9	720.6	20.5	254.1	177.7	146.0	286.9
1945—Jan.	522.0	1,384.2	1,906.2	45.4	719.7	20.9	256.0	172.5	146.4	287.0
Feb.	521.8	1,392.4	1,914.2	45.2	722.2	21.1	257.3	172.7	147.5	289.8
Mar.	522.6	1,397.6	1,920.2	44.5	723.3	21.2	257.2	173.9	148.1	291.9
April	523.0	1,391.8	1,914.8	45.1	718.5	21.4	258.3	173.9	147.1	291.3
May	521.3	1,394.8	1,916.1	44.8	717.6	21.4	258.7	175.0	147.2	292.1

(2) Employees in the defence forces at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures to June, 1943, are final. (b) Includes employees of Australian Government authorities (Commonwealth State and Local) and of Allied Governments. (c) The estimated number of males in private employment in 1944 and 1945 may exclude some employees engaged on smaller buildings (houses, &c.) and in alterations and repairs to buildings. (d) From July, 1944, monthly figures are subject to revision. (e) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except female private domestic).

**EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES.**

(Number of Employees in Thousands excluding Working Proprietors.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.				
							Governmental (Munitions, Aircraft and Ships). (c)	Other Factories (including War Contractors). (b)	Total Factories.	Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unadjusted.	Divided by Index of Total Population.
1928-29 ..	174.1	149.3	43.4	35.4	19.8	10.0	7.1	424.9	432.0	822	889
1936-37 ..	197.8	183.0	45.9	39.3	21.4	11.8	6.6	492.6	499.2	950	959
1937-38 ..	215.6	193.6	49.6	42.6	22.0	12.5	7.4	528.5	535.9	1,019	1,019
1938-39 ..	219.5	193.9	51.5	42.0	22.1	13.2	10.1	532.1	542.2	1,031	1,022
1939-40 ..	227.1	204.4	53.0	43.5	21.9	14.0	16.9	547.0	563.9	1,073	1,053
1940-41 ..	257.0	229.7	54.8	49.5	21.8	15.1	41.5	586.4	627.9	1,194	1,159
1941-42 ..	289.3	250.5	59.5	63.8	23.0	16.7	79.8	623.0	702.8	1,337	1,286
1942-43 ..	306.4	255.6	62.2	71.5	25.1	18.0	121.8	617.0	738.8	1,405	1,339
1943-44 ..	313.8	253.9	62.5	67.9	27.2	19.2	116.0	628.5	744.5	1,416	1,338
1943-44—											
December ..	316.4	255.1	61.8	67.5	27.1	19.2	116.1	631.0	747.1	1,421	1,343
March ..	314.3	255.0	62.3	66.8	27.5	19.8	109.4	636.3	745.7	1,418	1,336
June ..	309.6	249.4	63.8	65.8	27.5	19.5	102.5	633.1	735.6	1,399	1,315
1944-45(c)											
September ..	306.9	248.5	63.6	65.2	27.5	19.0	98.2	632.5	730.7	1,390	1,303
December ..	305.3	248.0	56.7	64.0	28.1	18.5	88.3	632.3	720.6	1,371	1,281
February ..	304.8	248.6	58.3	63.8	27.9	18.8	85.1	637.1	722.2	1,374	1,283
March ..	303.7	249.2	59.3	63.9	27.8	19.4	83.9	639.4	723.3	1,376	1,284
April ..	302.0	246.5	59.2	63.5	27.8	19.5	81.1	637.4	718.5	1,367	1,274
May ..	301.1	245.2	60.9	63.0	27.9	19.5	79.9	637.7	717.6	1,365	1,271

(a) Includes Government establishments, annexes, and certain private firms engaged exclusively on aircraft and ship-building, but excludes private factories engaged partly on war contracts and partly on other work.

(b) Includes railway and tramway workshops, electricity and other Governmental institutions not included in previous column.

(c) From July, 1944, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision.

**EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.**

PAY-ROLL TAX.—Employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on returns of taxable employers whose principal activity was retail trade.

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (Six States).
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**MALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.**

Employees—July, 1941 ..	31,868	23,782	10,701	7,278	4,746	2,529	80,904
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1943—June ..	700	700	701	729	694	756	704
1944—June ..	694	695	697	744	695	781	702
1945—March ..	718	733	753	800	770	834	741
April ..	719	736	760	801	771	829	743
May ..	728	741	757	803	778	830	749

**FEMALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.**

Employees—July, 1941 ..	31,840	22,088	8,533	7,184	4,832	2,067	76,544
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1943—June ..	951	937	1,019	959	974	988	958
1944—June ..	911	909	1,022	977	961	994	935
1945—March ..	946	921	1,045	1,038	983	1,051	964
April ..	948	917	1,035	1,042	980	1,047	963
May ..	953	919	1,050	1,036	1,003	1,044	968

**PERSONS—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.**

Employees—July, 1941 ..	63,708	45,870	19,234	14,462	9,578	4,596	157,448
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1943—June ..	826	814	842	843	835	860	827
1944—June ..	802	798	841	860	829	877	815
1945—March ..	831	823	882	919	877	932	849
April ..	833	823	882	921	876	927	849
May ..	840	827	887	919	891	926	855



## Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).

Period	Number.	Establishments Involved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Estimated Loss in Wages. £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	

Year—1944 ..	801	921	213,007	8,175	221,182	567,565	7,740	575,305	760,380
1944—March Qtr.	206	218	57,678	1,825	59,503	202,098	745	202,843	277,389
June ..	200	227	50,084	698	50,782	99,363	5,350	104,713	132,517
Sept. "	217	279	56,805	3,181	59,986	136,711	..	136,711	173,039
Dec. "	178	187	48,440	2,471	50,911	129,393	1,645	131,038	177,435
1945—March ..	217	250	53,342	1,631	54,973	153,872	..	153,872	211,460

Year—1944 ..	53	89	13,348	294	13,642	71,358	1,260	72,618	73,223
1944—March Qtr.	10	28	4,828	150	4,978	33,574	..	33,574	34,909
June ..	15	18	1,445	..	1,445	4,744	..	4,744	8,823
Sept. "	13	23	4,126	84	4,210	16,214	1,260	17,474	17,404
Dec. "	15	20	2,949	60	3,009	16,826	..	16,826	17,087
1945—March ..	13	13	1,098	65	1,163	5,981	288	6,269	5,756

Year—1944 ..	23	32	8,493	..	8,493	63,084	..	63,084	67,401
1944—March Qtr.	4	7	2,245	..	2,245	10,560	..	10,560	14,082
June ..	4	4	1,809	..	1,809	15,601	..	15,601	17,724
Sept. "	5	9	1,449	..	1,449	4,101	..	4,101	4,146
Dec. "	8	12	2,990	..	2,990	32,822	..	32,822	31,449
1945—March ..	9	87	6,148	99	6,247	100,943	..	100,943	93,003

Year—1944 ..	30	71	18,250	3,230	21,480	76,086	..	76,086	80,614
1944—March Qtr.	7	48	5,645	..	5,645	51,056	..	51,056	55,461
June ..	11	11	2,539	43	2,582	3,679	..	3,679	3,628
Sept. "	8	8	8,985	3,187	12,172	19,160	..	19,160	19,528
Dec. "	4	4	1,081	..	1,081	2,191	..	2,191	1,997
1945—March ..	5	6	289	16	305	2,533	300	2,833	2,785

Year—1944 ..	30	75	7,161	3,867	11,028	44,984	45,000	89,984	93,601
1944—March Qtr.	5	5	1,473	3,850	5,323	5,076	45,000	50,076	48,245
June ..	4	11	506	..	506	4,436	..	4,436	5,809
Sept. "	12	25	2,521	17	2,538	7,864	..	7,864	7,834
Dec. "	9	34	2,661	..	2,661	27,008	..	27,008	31,713
1945—March ..	6	6	304	..	304	958	9,120	10,078	11,874

Year—1944 ..	4	4	533	..	533	35,675	..	35,675	36,510
1944—March Qtr.	1	1	49	..	49	49	..	49	60
June ..	1	1	114	..	114	223	..	223	250
Sept. "	1	1	18	..	18	198	..	198	200
Dec. "	1	1	352	..	352	35,200	..	35,200	36,000
1945—March ..	3	3	355	..	355	730	..	730	843

Year—1944 ..	941	1,192	260,792	15,566	276,358	858,752	54,000	912,752	1,111,729
1944—March Qtr.	235	307	71,918	5,825	77,743	302,413	45,745	348,158	430,146
June ..	235	282	56,497	741	57,238	128,051	5,350	133,401	163,751
Sept. "	256	345	73,904	6,469	80,373	184,248	1,260	185,508	222,151
Dec. "	215	258	58,473	2,531	61,004	244,040	1,645	245,685	295,681
1945—March ..	253	365	61,536	1,811	63,347	265,017	9,708	274,725	325,721

**Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and  
Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st March, 1945.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	125/10	120/6	119/7	115/1	117/11	116/1	121/1
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/10½	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/8½	2/7½	2/9
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	122/11	120/4	118/11	115/11	124/11	120/9	120/11
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.11	44.00	44.00	44.01
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/10	2/9	2/9
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	120/2	118/6	115/2	116/3	118/6	112/10	118/1
	Working Hours	44.00	44.04	43.44	44.00	44.13	44.00	43.91
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/7½	2/8½	2/6½	2/8½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	117/5	118/9	123/6	123/6	119/5	114/8	119/0
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/8	2/8½	2/9½	2/9½	2/8½	2/7½	2/8½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	135/7	137/2	125/7	128/1	145/8	128/6	134/8
	Working Hours	42.49	41.91	42.28	43.56	42.76	43.35	42.39
	Hourly Wage	3/2½	3/3½	2/11½	2/11½	3/4½	2/11½	3/2
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	120/6	118/2	115/0	116/11	118/4	118/3	118/9
	Working Hours	43.89	43.90	43.78	43.71	44.03	43.75	43.87
	Hourly Wage	2/9	2/8½	2/7½	2/8	2/8½	2/8½	2/8½
VII. Building ..	Weekly Wage	133/1	132/6	120/2	119/0	125/11	123/0	129/3
	Working Hours	43.65	44.00	40.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.42
	Hourly Wage	3/0½	3/0½	3/0	2/8½	2/10½	2/9½	2/11½
VIII. Mining (c) ..	Weekly Wage	128/4	122/0	128/7	94/0	6137/8	115/3	126/10
	Working Hours	40.70	40.47	40.93	43.79	40.50	41.33	40.80
	Hourly Wage	3/1½	3/0½	3/1½	2/1½	3/4½	2/9½	3/1½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	124/4	123/10	120/10	115/6	119/8	112/9	122/3
	Working Hours	43.80	43.74	44.00	44.00	43.75	44.00	43.83
	Hourly Wage	2/10	2/10	2/9	2/7½	2/8½	2/6½	2/9½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	114/6	111/4	110/6	106/7	116/4	105/8	112/1
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/6½	2/6½	2/5	2/7½	2/4½	2/6½
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage d	122/8	123/4	119/11	121/4	121/10	121/6	122/2
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage e	119/6	118/2	120/8	117/10	119/9	122/6	119/5
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage e	111/9	112/6	105/8	102/8	107/1	101/0	109/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.33	44.00	44.00	44.80	44.00	44.17
	Hourly Wage e	2/6½	2/6½	2/4½	2/4	2/4½	2/3½	2/5½
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	116/7	115/10	111/2	107/6	114/1	109/7	114/5
	Working Hours	44.00	44.67	44.00	44.65	44.00	43.77	44.26
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/7	2/6½	2/5	2/7	2/6	2/7
All Groups (a) ..	Weekly Wage	121/4	119/7	118/0	113/8	122/1	116/5	119/7
All Groups except XI. and XII (a) ..	Weekly Wage	121/9	119/9	117/0	111/11	122/7	113/8	119/6
	Working Hours	43.50	43.91	43.18	44.21	43.15	43.38	43.61
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/8½	2/8½	2/6½	2/10	2/7½	2/9

(a) Weighted average. (b) Excludes District allowances in the gold-mining industry.  
(c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.  
(d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied. (e) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

**Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st March, 1945.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
III. Food, Drink, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	61/5	65/5	59/9	55/9	53/11	64/9	62/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/5½	1/4½	1/3½	1/2½	1/5½	1/5
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	72/0	73/2	75/3	75/3	63/6	71/10	72/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/7½	1/8	1/8½	1/8½	1/5½	1/7½	1/7½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing ...	Weekly Wage	70/2	75/2	65/0	65/6	..	60/3	71/10
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.77	..	44.00	43.99
	Hourly Wage	1/7½	1/8½	1/5½	1/8	..	1/4½	1/7½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ...	Weekly Wage <i>b</i>	65/4	71/7	68/7	59/4	68/6	63/2	67/5
	Working Hours	43.38	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.78
	Hourly Wage <i>b</i>	1/6	1/7½	1/6½	1/4½	1/6½	1/5½	1/6½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	77/0	79/6	81/10	55/8	..	..	76/4
	Working Hours	44.00	45.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	44.36
	Hourly Wage	1/9	1/9½	1/10½	1/3½	..	..	1/8½
All Groups (a) ...	Weekly Wage	71/3	74/0	74/1	66/1	65/10	68/5	72/0
	Working Hours	43.88	44.19	44.00	43.99	44.00	44.00	44.03
	Hourly Wage	1/7½	1/8	1/8½	1/6	1/6	1/6½	1/7½

(a) Weighted average. (b) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging where supplied.

**Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 1914 to 31st March, 1945.**

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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**ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 .. ..	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
" " 1939 .. ..	96 7	94 0	97 5	88 11	100 6	89 5	95 3
" " 1940 .. ..	99 7	97 0	97 9	92 11	104 0	92 7	98 1
" " 1941 .. ..	105 4	104 5	101 9	100 3	110 2	99 3	104 3
" " 1942 .. ..	118 3	116 7	110 2	112 3	117 7	108 2	115 8
" " 1943 .. ..	121 3	119 7	116 10	113 9	122 2	116 9	119 5
30th September, 1944 .. ..	121 3	119 4	117 2	113 3	121 6	115 9	119 3
31st December, 1944 .. ..	121 4	119 6	118 0	113 7	121 10	116 6	119 6
31st March, 1945 .. ..	121 4	119 7	118 0	113 8	122 1	116 5	119 7

**ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1,000.)**

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914 .. ..	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1939 .. ..	1,585	1,825	1,909	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1940 .. ..	1,943	1,892	1,908	1,812	2,029	1,807	1,913
" " 1941 .. ..	2,056	2,037	1,985	1,957	2,149	1,937	2,034
" " 1942 .. ..	2,308	2,275	2,150	2,189	2,294	2,111	2,257
" " 1943 .. ..	2,366	2,333	2,279	2,219	2,383	2,279	2,329
30th September, 1944 .. ..	2,366	2,329	2,286	2,210	2,371	2,259	2,327
31st December, 1944 .. ..	2,367	2,332	2,303	2,216	2,377	2,273	2,332
31st March, 1945 .. ..	2,367	2,333	2,303	2,218	2,382	2,272	2,333

**ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 .. ..	26 10	27 3	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
" " 1939 .. ..	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1940 .. ..	54 9	53 5	56 0	52 1	57 6	53 1	54 3
" " 1941 .. ..	57 11	58 4	56 6	55 5	60 4	56 7	58 2
" " 1942 .. ..	63 10	64 11	66 4	60 3	64 2	61 3	64 4
" " 1943 .. ..	67 11	70 2	69 9	61 3	66 6	63 3	68 4
30th September, 1944 .. ..	71 3	73 11	73 4	65 4	65 10	66 8	71 9
31st December, 1944 .. ..	71 3	73 11	74 1	65 4	65 10	68 6	71 11
31st March, 1945 .. ..	71 3	74 0	74 1	66 1	65 10	68 5	72 0

**ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)**

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
31st December, 1914 .. ..	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1939 .. ..	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,825	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1940 .. ..	2,016	1,966	2,060	1,916	2,116	1,954	1,996
" " 1941 .. ..	2,133	2,148	2,191	2,038	2,220	2,082	2,141
" " 1942 .. ..	2,350	2,391	2,442	2,216	2,361	2,255	2,368
" " 1943 .. ..	2,501	2,582	2,568	2,253	2,446	2,329	2,516
30th September, 1944 .. ..	2,622	2,720	2,699	2,406	2,422	2,453	2,642
31st December, 1944 .. ..	2,622	2,722	2,726	2,406	2,422	2,520	2,647
31st March, 1945 .. ..	2,622	2,722	2,726	2,431	2,422	2,517	2,649

(a) Weighted average for Australia.



## Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 4 18 0	(a) 2 13 0	1.5.45	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(4.18.0)	(2.13.0)	(1.8.44)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 4 17 0	2 14 6	2.8.43	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	4 14 0	2 6 2	15.10.42	" " " "
Western Australia(e)	5 0 1	2 14 1	1.7.45	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania(c) ..	(4.13.0)	(2.10.0)	(1.5.45)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £5 3s. 0d.; Females, £2 15s. 6d.; Elsewhere—Males, £4 15s. 0d.; Females, £2 11s. 6d. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared, but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 1.7.45 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State excluding the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 7s. 5d.; Females, £2 13s. 0d.; and from 1.3.45 for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £4 19s. 7d.; Females £2 13s. 9d.

## Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

Capital.	1st August, 1944.	1st November 1944.	1st February, 1945.	1st May, 1945.	1st August, 1945.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney ..	99 0	99 0	99 0	98 0	98 0
Melbourne ..	98 0	98 0	98 0	98 0	98 0
Brisbane ..	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0
Adelaide ..	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0
Perth ..	93 0	94 0	93 0	93 0	94 0
Hobart ..	93 0	94 0	94 0	93 0	93 0
Six Capitals ..	96 0	96 0	96 0	96 0	96 0

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index-numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment. No defined family unit.

## Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed.

State.	1940.		1941.		1942.		1943.		1944.	
	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determina- tions made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	70	22	65	49	72	23	24	11	36	10
Victoria ..	170	..	262	..	202	..	129	..	110	..
Queensland ..	34	45	53	16	27	29	17	35	14	29
South Australia ..	53	7	167	8	160	12	44	7	31	3
Western Australia ..	31	21	30	18	19	19	6	12	9	9
Tasmania ..	18	..	21	..	19	..	20	..	16	..
Commonwealth Court ..	25	13	7	3	52	20	43	17	45	13
Commonwealth Public Ser- vice Arbitrator ..	1	..	5	..	4	..	3	..	4	..
Total ..	402	108	610	94	555	103	286	82	235	64

## Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next four pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page 61.

### Retail Price Index-Numbers.—Capital Cities.

("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1938.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1944.			1945.	
							June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr	June Qtr.
GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.											
Sydney .. ..	904	952	962	1,040	1,042	1,025	1,025	1,035	1,022	1,027	1,040
Melbourne .. ..	884	947	943	1,042	1,055	1,049	1,047	1,063	1,046	1,052	1,059
Brisbane .. ..	838	889	911	972	975	965	967	964	959	967	969
Adelaide .. ..	861	900	905	1,012	1,003	993	995	999	988	993	1,003
Perth .. ..	899	949	981	1,029	1,059	1,056	1,057	1,067	1,049	1,059	1,064
Hobart .. ..	880	944	970	1,047	1,062	1,035	1,026	1,044	1,039	1,025	1,032
Six Capitals (a) ..	886	939	947	1,031	1,037	1,026	1,026	1,036	1,022	1,028	1,037

### GROUP IV.—HOUSING (b)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney .. ..	1,004	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043
Melbourne .. ..	935	969	975	975	974	974	974	973	973	973	973
Brisbane .. ..	841	857	860	862	862	863	863	863	863	863	863
Adelaide .. ..	868	892	893	893	893	892	892	892	892	892	892
Perth .. ..	872	882	883	885	885	886	886	886	886	886	886
Hobart .. ..	913	933	933	933	931	932	931	932	933	933	933
Six Capitals (a) ..	942	973	976	976	975	976	976	975	975	975	975

### ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney .. ..	941	985	992	1,039	1,040	1,030	1,030	1,036	1,027	1,031	1,039
Melbourne .. ..	902	953	953	1,014	1,021	1,017	1,016	1,026	1,015	1,019	1,023
Brisbane .. ..	838	875	889	927	929	923	924	922	919	924	926
Adelaide .. ..	862	895	899	963	958	951	953	955	948	951	953
Perth .. ..	887	921	941	971	989	987	988	994	983	989	992
Hobart .. ..	891	938	953	1,000	1,009	992	987	998	995	986	991
Six Capitals (a) ..	906	950	956	1,007	1,011	1,004	1,004	1,010	1,002	1,005	1,011

(a) Weighted Average.

(b) See note (a) on page 61.

## Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).

("B" Series.)

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1944.			1945.	
							June Qtr.	Sept., Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney .. ..	941	985	992	1,039	1,040	1,030	1,030	1,036	1,027	1,031	1,039
Newcastle .. ..	898	950	959	1,005	1,000	987	987	990	984	985	992
Broken Hill .. ..	948	953	991	1,052	1,044	1,055	1,050	1,062	1,059	1,068	1,078
Goulburn .. ..	908	950	957	1,009	1,007	999	999	1,000	997	999	998
Bathurst .. ..	867	908	910	957	953	951	952	956	952	956	961
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	937	980	988	1,036	1,036	1,026	1,026	1,032	1,024	1,027	1,035
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne .. ..	902	953	953	1,014	1,021	1,017	1,016	1,026	1,015	1,019	1,023
Ballarat .. ..	808	843	841	894	908	907	906	916	907	908	912
Bendigo .. ..	817	864	868	920	923	923	921	930	921	923	925
Geelong .. ..	872	915	912	956	962	958	957	968	955	954	958
Warrnambool .. ..	898	944	941	984	993	995	990	1,006	1,003	1,000	1,003
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	895	946	946	1,005	1,012	1,009	1,008	1,017	1,007	1,010	1,014
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane .. ..	838	875	889	927	929	923	924	922	919	924	926
Toowoomba .. ..	806	849	857	913	927	945	946	943	945	949	953
Rockhampton .. ..	825	854	863	901	904	908	911	907	906	918	922
Townsville .. ..	900	925	933	974	970	975	976	975	975	980	983
Bundaberg .. ..	781	817	835	878	888	886	889	884	884	888	890
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	837	873	886	926	928	926	927	925	923	928	930
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide .. ..	862	895	899	963	958	951	953	955	948	951	958
Kadina, &c. .. ..	702	739	738	789	784	776	776	778	774	771	775
Port Pirie .. ..	838	877	889	943	932	923	925	927	920	923	932
Mount Gambier .. ..	801	828	832	879	877	884	879	883	882	888	896
Peterborough .. ..	836	895	893	936	926	922	919	931	92	928	935
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	855	888	892	955	950	944	945	948	941	943	950
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. .. ..	887	921	941	971	989	987	988	994	983	989	992
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,152	1,184	1,211	1,160	1,122	1,121	1,120	1,126	1,124	1,124	1,131
Northam .. ..	911	946	980	1,005	1,001	999	1,002	1,007	993	999	1,003
Bunbury .. ..	945	979	996	1,011	1,019	1,010	1,011	1,018	1,007	1,014	1,019
Geraldton .. ..	974	995	1,024	1,048	1,069	1,079	1,083	1,089	1,06	1,070	1,076
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	909	943	964	988	1,001	1,000	1,000	1,006	996	1,001	1,005
TASMANIA—											
Hobart .. ..	891	938	953	1,000	1,009	992	987	998	995	986	991
Launceston .. ..	867	901	913	948	953	936	932	942	938	932	938
Burnie .. ..	880	914	937	973	998	958	947	958	950	940	946
Devonport .. ..	846	882	898	928	942	920	913	926	919	909	917
Queenstown .. ..	900	942	947	970	1,005	1,004	998	1,011	1,010	1,002	1,007
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	882	923	937	978	988	970	965	976	973	965	970
THIRTY TOWNS(a) ..	902	945	952	1,001	1,005	998	998	1,004	996	999	1,005
SIX CAPITALS(a) ..	906	950	956	1,011	1,011	1,004	1,004	1,010	1,002	1,005	1,011
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	732	799	817	856	872	886	888	887	887	888	886
Port Augusta (c) ..	831	878	896	972	914	914	909	925	918	919	926
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) (c) ..	1,043	1,048	1,028	1,078	1,073	1,058	1,057	1,060	1,054	1,058	1,060

(a) Weighted Average.

(b) New series from 1938. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter, 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.



## RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities. 1923-27=1,030.)

State and Town.	1914.	1944.				1945.				Per- cent- age in- crease from, July, 1914 to June 1945.
	July.	Month.			June Qtr.	Month.			June Qtr.	
		April.	May.	June.		April.	May.	June.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney .. ..	645	1,020	1,020	1,036	1,025	1,039	1,039	1,042	1,040	61.6
Newcastle .. ..	682	1,041	1,040	1,051	1,044	1,051	1,053	1,055	1,053	64.3
Broken Hill .. ..	821	1,243	1,244	1,246	1,244	1,283	1,285	1,284	1,284	56.4
Goulburn .. ..	661	1,076	1,076	1,081	1,078	1,074	1,077	1,072	1,074	62.5
Bathurst .. ..	613	1,020	1,020	1,035	1,025	1,040	1,039	1,041	1,040	69.8
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	652	1,027	1,027	1,041	1,032	1,045	1,045	1,048	1,046	60.7
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne .. ..	619	1,040	1,042	1,061	1,047	1,054	1,060	1,062	1,059	71.6
Ballarat .. ..	617	1,027	1,030	1,047	1,035	1,044	1,043	1,048	1,045	69.9
Bendigo .. ..	619	1,030	1,031	1,055	1,039	1,044	1,044	1,045	1,044	68.8
Geelong .. ..	609	994	1,003	1,020	1,005	1,005	1,006	1,100	1,007	65.8
Warrnambool .. ..	608	1,013	1,034	1,042	1,030	1,050	1,051	1,054	1,052	73.4
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	618	1,037	1,040	1,058	1,045	1,052	1,057	1,059	1,056	71.4
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane .. ..	591	969	965	966	967	973	967	967	969	63.6
Toowoomba .. ..	582	1,007	1,007	1,001	1,005	1,018	1,016	1,015	1,016	74.4
Rockhampton .. ..	646	1,007	1,007	1,006	1,007	1,021	1,026	1,026	1,024	58.8
Townsville .. ..	..	1,052	1,051	1,051	1,051	1,064	1,063	1,062	1,063	..
Bundaberg .. ..	..	1,032	1,029	1,033	1,032	1,039	1,033	1,033	1,032	..
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	605	982	979	979	980	987	983	983	984	62.5
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide .. ..	699	989	996	1,001	995	1,001	1,001	1,007	1,003	44.1
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	688	1,026	1,030	1,036	1,031	1,021	1,026	1,034	1,027	50.3
Port Pirie .. ..	722	1,058	1,061	1,072	1,064	1,074	1,073	1,080	1,076	49.6
Mount Gambier .. ..	595	977	982	1,003	987	1,011	1,011	1,023	1,015	71.9
Peterborough .. ..	749	1,018	1,027	1,038	1,028	1,051	1,051	1,059	1,054	41.4
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	697	992	999	1,005	999	1,005	1,005	1,011	1,007	45.1
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth and Fremantle ..	749	1,049	1,054	1,069	1,057	1,062	1,062	1,069	1,064	42.7
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	931	1,170	1,174	1,193	1,179	1,193	1,192	1,204	1,196	29.3
Northam .. ..	..	1,059	1,070	1,086	1,072	1,071	1,071	1,080	1,074	..
Bunbury .. ..	793	1,029	1,034	1,052	1,038	1,049	1,049	1,055	1,051	33.0
Geraldton .. ..	808	1,093	1,097	1,116	1,102	1,086	1,086	1,095	1,089	35.5
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	790	1,058	1,064	1,079	1,067	1,072	1,072	1,079	1,074	36.6
TASMANIA—										
Hobart .. ..	678	1,024	1,022	1,032	1,026	1,024	1,024	1,048	1,032	54.6
Launceston .. ..	640	978	976	988	981	982	983	1,005	990	57.0
Burnie .. ..	..	1,009	1,011	1,019	1,013	1,005	1,004	1,024	1,011	..
Devonport .. ..	..	1,001	1,004	1,020	1,008	1,005	1,008	1,033	1,015	..
Queenstown .. ..	735	1,120	1,120	1,138	1,126	1,133	1,133	1,159	1,142	57.7
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	672	1,011	1,010	1,021	1,014	1,013	1,013	1,037	1,021	54.3
THIRTY TOWNS(a) ..	651	1,023	1,025	1,038	1,029	1,038	1,039	1,042	1,040	60.1
SIX CAPITALS(a) ..	645	1,020	1,022	1,036	1,026	1,035	1,036	1,039	1,037	61.1
(b) Lithgow (N) .. ..	..	1,058	1,056	1,075	1,063	1,069	1,069	1,069	1,069	..
(b) Yallourn (V) .. ..	..	1,035	1,035	1,037	1,036	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	..
(b) Warwick (Q.) .. ..	605	981	994	983	988	983	983	983	983	62.5
(b) Port Augusta (S.A.) ..	..	1,046	1,053	1,064	1,055	1,063	1,063	1,068	1,065	..
(b) Rosebery (T.) .. ..	..	1,127	1,127	1,143	1,132	1,112	1,112	1,134	1,119	..
(b) Canberra (A.C.T.) ..	..	1,106	1,104	1,112	1,107	1,110	1,110	1,113	1,111	..

(a) Weighted average. (b) Not included in weighted averages above.

## THE ALL ITEMS INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms) (a), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1944.			1945.	
							June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>											
Sydney ..	913	974	1,028	1,107	1,151	1,144	1,143	1,146	1,142	1,138	1,141
Newcastle ..	877	945	997	1,069	1,109	1,094	1,089	1,093	1,095	1,093	1,099
Broken Hill ..	940	981	1,049	1,132	1,172	1,179	1,174	1,184	1,184	1,184	1,193
Goulburn ..	893	949	1,005	1,087	1,125	1,118	1,119	1,117	1,116	1,110	1,111
Bathurst ..	860	923	974	1,050	1,091	1,088	1,086	1,090	1,089	1,086	1,089
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b) ..</b>	<b>911</b>	<b>972</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>1,139</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,138</b>	<b>1,135</b>	<b>1,138</b>
<b>VICTORIA—</b>											
Melbourne ..	896	964	1,006	1,100	1,139	1,135	1,133	1,140	1,138	1,132	1,134
Ballarat ..	850	906	950	1,037	1,084	1,083	1,082	1,087	1,087	1,086	1,086
Bendigo ..	854	920	963	1,054	1,096	1,101	1,101	1,104	1,102	1,099	1,098
Geelong ..	884	941	984	1,065	1,110	1,112	1,112	1,118	1,116	1,114	1,112
Warrnambool ..	892	954	998	1,078	1,126	1,129	1,122	1,138	1,140	1,135	1,135
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b) ..</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,135</b>	<b>1,131</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>1,134</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>1,131</b>
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>											
Brisbane ..	852	908	963	1,033	1,072	1,071	1,072	1,071	1,069	1,071	1,072
Toowoomba ..	843	898	951	1,033	1,080	1,085	1,085	1,084	1,084	1,086	1,088
Rockhampton ..	853	905	959	1,032	1,073	1,074	1,076	1,074	1,071	1,077	1,083
Townsville ..	902	950	1,004	1,075	1,114	1,117	1,119	1,117	1,116	1,117	1,115
Bandaberg ..	831	879	938	1,015	1,057	1,057	1,060	1,057	1,056	1,056	1,053
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b) ..</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>1,035</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,076</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,076</b>
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>											
Adelaide ..	888	936	988	1,075	1,102	1,098	1,096	1,101	1,098	1,098	1,100
Kadina, &c. ..	786	833	882	962	998	995	992	995	996	993	996
Port Pirie ..	868	919	976	1,057	1,087	1,081	1,077	1,084	1,080	1,080	1,084
Mount Gambier ..	849	894	946	1,024	1,061	1,064	1,057	1,071	1,070	1,067	1,068
Peterborough ..	868	924	974	1,053	1,087	1,087	1,082	1,095	1,089	1,089	1,090
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b) ..</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>1,096</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>1,094</b>	<b>1,096</b>
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>											
Perth, &c. ..	882	932	993	1,061	1,104	1,105	1,103	1,110	1,104	1,104	1,108
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,048	1,099	1,165	1,175	1,192	1,199	1,195	1,204	1,203	1,197	1,204
Northam ..	900	947	1,017	1,079	1,111	1,113	1,113	1,118	1,110	1,111	1,115
Bunbury ..	914	962	1,018	1,065	1,102	1,110	1,109	1,118	1,110	1,111	1,117
Geraldton ..	957	990	1,055	1,114	1,165	1,176	1,177	1,184	1,168	1,167	1,171
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b) ..</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>1,008</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>1,113</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>1,113</b>	<b>1,117</b>
<b>TASMANIA—</b>											
Hobart ..	887	945	1,001	1,078	1,117	1,105	1,100	1,110	1,106	1,101	1,099
Launceston ..	872	926	974	1,040	1,078	1,067	1,061	1,072	1,067	1,064	1,067
Burnie ..	865	917	971	1,035	1,088	1,065	1,056	1,069	1,059	1,053	1,055
Devonport ..	848	896	951	1,012	1,058	1,040	1,031	1,045	1,042	1,037	1,038
Queenstown ..	875	936	987	1,045	1,096	1,102	1,096	1,110	1,108	1,104	1,106
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b) ..</b>	<b>879</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,101</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>1,094</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,085</b>
<b>THIRTY TOWNS (b) ..</b>	<b>894</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,006</b>	<b>1,087</b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>1,120</b>	<b>1,122</b>
<b>SIX CAPITALS (b) ..</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>1,008</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>1,131</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>1,123</b>	<b>1,125</b>
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	800	867	925	1,007	1,055	1,061	1,062	1,063	1,061	1,061	1,059
Fort Augusta (S.A.) (c) ..	863	915	930	1,052	1,076	1,076	1,070	1,085	1,080	1,080	1,082
Canberra (A.C.T.) (c) ..	..	988	1,040	1,121	1,168	1,153	1,150	1,152	1,149	1,144	1,149

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns. (b) Weighted Average.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

## RETAIL PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.

The All Items ("C" Series) Index and its Sectional or "Group" Index-Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined, 1914 to 1945.

(Base of Each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.) (a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Rooms).	Food, Groceries and Rent (4 and 5 Rooms) "B" Series).	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	All Items ("C" Series).
Year—						
1914 (b) .. ..	641	649	644	754	749	687
1915 (b) .. ..	842	659	777	792	786	782
1916 (b) .. ..	812	665	760	881	802	795
1917 (b) .. ..	836	685	782	992	882	847
1918 (b) .. ..	861	722	812	1,097	972	905
1919 (b) .. ..	1,026	768	934	1,238	1,036	1,022
1920 (b) .. ..	1,209	851	1,082	1,365	1,194	1,166
1921 (b) .. ..	950	877	924	1,246	1,010	1,013
1922 (b) .. ..	945	929	939	1,052	999	975
1923 .. ..	1,009	950	988	1,045	999	1,003
1924 .. ..	969	988	975	1,003	1,004	987
1925 .. ..	998	1,008	1,002	991	992	997
1926 .. ..	1,023	1,026	1,024	986	998	1,011
1927 .. ..	1,000	1,030	1,011	975	1,008	1,002
1928 .. ..	985	1,066	1,014	997	1,010	1,009
1929 .. ..	1,044	1,073	1,054	996	1,007	1,033
1930 .. ..	941	1,047	978	951	999	975
1931 .. ..	826	901	852	853	973	873
1932 .. ..	796	817	803	804	958	830
1933 .. ..	751	804	768	787	950	804
1934 .. ..	783	810	792	785	944	817
1935 .. ..	806	839	818	783	946	832
1936 .. ..	825	879	844	792	947	850
1937 .. ..	851	912	872	811	960	873
1938 .. ..	886	942	906	829	961	897
1939 .. ..	927	965	939	841	962	920
1940 .. ..	939	973	950	956	998	957
1941 .. ..	947	976	956	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942 .. ..	1,031	976	1,007	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943 .. ..	1,037	975	1,011	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944 .. ..	1,026	976	1,004	1,435	1,165	1,126
Quarter—						
1939—September ..	920	967	936	836	961	916
December ..	927	969	941	858	967	926
1941—March ..	958	976	963	1,057	1,039	995
June ..	939	976	951	1,104	1,047	1,000
September ..	936	976	949	1,128	1,073	1,009
December ..	954	976	960	1,182	1,080	1,029
1942—March ..	991	977	983	1,216	1,095	1,053
June ..	1,025	976	1,003	1,285	1,099	1,081
September ..	1,055	976	1,022	1,342	1,110	1,106
December ..	1,051	976	1,019	1,388	1,144	1,122
1943—March ..	1,040	975	1,012	1,409	1,149	1,123
June ..	1,058	975	1,023	1,466	1,158	1,143
September ..	1,036	975	1,010	1,450	1,165	1,133
December ..	1,015	975	997	1,436	1,168	1,123
1944—March ..	1,020	976	1,000	1,434	1,166	1,124
June ..	1,026	976	1,004	1,429	1,165	1,125
September ..	1,036	975	1,010	1,433	1,164	1,129
December ..	1,022	975	1,002	1,442	1,163	1,126
1945—March ..	1,028	975	1,005	1,421	1,161	1,123
June ..	1, 37	975	1,011	1,416	1,161	1,125

(a) The Index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000.

(b) November.



**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1945.**

RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.84	5.84	5.84	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.00
" self-raising ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.07	5.43	5.29	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.20	5.20	5.20
Tea ..	lb.	8.35	8.35	8.40	8.50	8.57	8.57	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.10	9.10	9.10
Sugar ..	"	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.43	27.50	27.50	27.79	27.79	27.79	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.32	4.28	4.29	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.40	4.30	4.30
Sago (a) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.64	4.64	4.64	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.13	7.13	7.13	8.80	8.80	8.80	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.25	7.25	7.25
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	13.70	13.70	13.70	15.07	15.21	15.21	14.00	14.00	14.00	15.00	15.50	15.30	15.20	15.20	15.20
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	7.00	6.90	6.90	7.86	7.93	7.93	9.64	9.64	9.64	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.00	8.10	8.10
Raisins, seeded (a)	"	12.58	9.75	3.75	4.08	4.08	4.08	4.45	4.45	4.45	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.00
Currants ..	"	10.67	10.72	12.88	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.43	13.43	13.29	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
Apricots, dried (a)	"	16.50	16.50	16.72	17.10	11.10	11.10	11.50	11.33	11.50	11.10	11.10	11.10	10.60	10.60	10.60
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	13.50	13.44	16.50	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	14.63	14.63	14.63	13.75	13.75	13.75	16.17	16.17	16.17	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	22.33	22.33	22.33	14.70	14.70	14.70	16.17	16.17	16.17	15.17	15.17	15.17	15.00	15.00	15.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	22.50	22.50	22.50	20.83	20.83	20.83	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Onions, brown (a)	lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.65	8.65	8.65	11.73	11.73	11.66	8.68	8.68	8.68	8.87	8.87	8.87
Soap ..	"	3.36	3.43	3.36	7.19	7.25	7.27	3.58	3.58	3.43	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.60	3.60	3.60
Kerosene ..	quart	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.19	7.25	7.27	7.67	7.67	7.74	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.49	7.54	7.54
" ..	"	6.15	5.96	5.92	6.80	6.40	6.40	7.87	7.80	7.63	7.35	7.20	7.20	7.15	6.83	6.83
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.57	20.57	20.57	22.64	22.64	22.64	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.21	17.21	17.36	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.71	18.71	18.71	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.40	18.40	18.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.30	28.25	28.25	28.29	28.29	28.29	31.14	31.14	31.14	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.60	28.60	28.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.07	21.93	21.93	24.21	24.21	24.00	22.30	22.30	22.30	22.63	22.63	22.63
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.71	10.71	10.64	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.80	12.80	12.90	13.29	12.93	12.93	17.00	17.00	17.00	13.00	13.10	13.10	12.20	12.20	12.20
" rib ..	"	8.20	8.20	8.15	8.29	8.29	8.43	15.33	15.33	15.29	9.13	9.25	8.88	8.60	8.60	8.60
" steak, rump ..	"	21.00	21.00	21.00	19.29	19.86	20.00	24.93	24.79	24.79	17.80	18.40	18.60	17.60	17.60	17.60
" chuck ..	"	8.95	8.95	9.00	9.14	9.14	9.14	16.21	16.35	16.36	9.00	9.20	9.00	8.60	8.60	8.80
" sausages ..	"	8.95	9.00	9.00	8.75	8.83	8.83	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.60	8.60	8.60	8.80	8.80	8.80
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.55	10.43	10.50	10.64	16.00	16.00	16.00	10.50	10.70	10.40	10.00	10.20	10.20
" brisket ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	8.14	8.14	8.14	14.00	14.00	14.00	9.10	9.20	8.90	8.00	8.00	8.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.45	8.45	8.70	9.00	9.00	9.29	11.86	12.00	12.00	9.70	9.70	9.90	8.80	8.80	8.80
" forequarter ..	"	5.40	5.40	5.70	5.50	5.50	5.93	7.93	8.07	8.07	6.10	6.10	6.20	5.20	5.20	5.20
" loin ..	"	11.05	11.05	11.15	10.86	11.00	11.00	8.43	8.50	8.50	10.40	10.40	10.20	9.40	9.40	9.40
" chops, loin ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.43	11.57	11.57	13.43	13.50	13.50	11.00	11.00	10.60	9.80	9.80	10.00
" leg ..	"	11.40	11.40	11.50	11.00	11.00	10.86	13.86	14.00	14.00	10.80	10.60	10.20	9.50	9.50	9.60
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	16.60	16.60	16.60	17.86	17.86	17.86	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
" loin (a) ..	"	17.55	17.55	17.55	18.07	18.07	18.07	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.80	15.80	15.80	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chops (a) ..	"	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.07	18.07	18.07	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.20	16.20	16.20	15.00	15.00	15.00
House Rents (b) ..																
4 and 5 Rooms ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	281.10	..	..	248.51	..	..	191.72	..	..	222.61	..	..	212.25	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936.

**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE., 1945.**

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RETAIL PRICES

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 5.55	d. 5.55	d. 5.55	d. 5.86	d. 5.86	d. 5.86	d. 5.82	d. 5.82	d. 5.82	d. 5.75	d. 5.75	d. 5.75	d. 6.25	d. 6.25	d. 6.25
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	7.40	7.40	7.40	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.07	8.07	8.07	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.10	8.10	8.10
Tea ..	1b.	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.28	4.28	4.28	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian) (a) ..	"	3.60	3.60	3.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	3.80
Sago (a) ..	"	6.88	6.88	6.88	7.17	7.17	7.17	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.75	6.75	6.75
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.71	11.71	11.71	12.07	12.07	12.07	11.70	11.70	11.70	11.90	11.90	11.90
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
Oats, flaked (a) ..	1b.	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.13	4.13	4.13	3.88	3.88	3.88	3.81	3.81	3.81	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	13.00	13.11	13.11	12.90	12.90	12.90	13.38	13.30	13.30	12.60	12.60	12.60	13.20	13.20	13.20
Currants ..	"	10.56	10.56	10.67	10.36	10.43	10.36	10.43	10.43	10.43	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.70	10.70	10.70
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	13.06	13.06	13.06	13.40	13.40	13.40	13.25	13.25	13.25	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.25	13.25	13.25
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.20	14.20	14.20	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.88	13.88	13.88	14.25	14.25	14.25
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	1b.	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	20.67	20.67	20.67	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.88	21.88	21.88
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
Onions, brown ..	1 lb.	2.50	2.75	2.63	3.00	2.79	2.79	2.57	2.57	2.64	2.70	2.70	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Soap ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.49	7.54	7.54	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.68	7.68	7.68
Kerosene ..	quart	6.52	6.46	6.40	6.79	6.68	6.68	6.77	6.68	6.64	6.35	6.28	6.23	7.30	7.10	7.30
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	1b.	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.43	20.43	20.43	20.86	20.86	20.86	20.30	20.30	20.30	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	16.28	16.28	16.28	15.79	15.79	15.79	16.64	16.64	16.64	15.38	15.38	15.38	16.30	16.30	16.30
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	27.86	27.86	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00
Bacon, rashers ..	1b.	22.72	22.72	22.72	23.21	23.21	23.21	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.70	22.70	22.70
Milk, condensed ..	tin	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.93	10.93	10.93	10.00	10.10	10.10	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.13	7.13	7.13
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	1b.	13.30	13.65	13.80	12.50	12.50	12.93	12.21	12.21	12.43	11.60	11.60	12.00	12.20	12.40	12.60
" rib ..	"	11.40	11.65	11.60	10.50	10.50	10.50	9.86	9.86	9.79	8.80	8.80	8.80	9.80	10.00	9.60
" steak, rump ..	"	21.00	21.30	21.10	19.86	19.86	19.86	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.80	17.80	17.80
" chuck ..	"	10.10	10.15	10.20	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.29	9.29	9.29	8.90	8.90	9.00	9.60	9.60	9.60
" sausages ..	"	7.85	7.85	8.00	7.14	7.14	7.14	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.60	8.60	8.60
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	12.60	12.45	12.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.79	10.79	10.71	11.00	11.10	11.00	11.00	11.20	10.90
" brisket ..	"	9.35	9.60	9.40	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.79	8.79	8.79	8.20	8.20	8.50	8.70	8.70	8.60
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.25	11.35	11.50	11.00	11.00	11.43	10.86	10.86	10.93	10.40	10.50	11.00	10.80	10.80	11.30
" forequarter ..	"	6.50	6.50	6.75	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.43	6.57	6.57	6.20	6.10	6.50	6.90	6.90	6.90
" loin ..	"	9.40	9.55	9.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.36	9.36	9.36	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.40
" chops, loin ..	"	10.50	10.80	10.70	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.36	10.36	10.36	9.20	9.20	8.80	10.40	10.40	10.60
" leg ..	"	11.15	11.25	11.00	11.30	11.30	12.29	10.64	10.64	10.86	10.00	10.20	11.40	10.60	10.60	11.20
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	15.95	15.95	15.95	15.43	15.43	15.43	15.75	15.75	15.75	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.80	14.80	14.80
" loin (a) ..	"	16.80	16.80	16.80	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.40	15.40	15.40	14.80	14.80	14.80
" chops (a) ..	"	17.65	17.65	17.65	17.43	17.43	17.43	17.25	17.25	17.25	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.80	15.80	15.80
House Rents (b) ..																
4 and 5 Rooms ..	4 and 5 Rooms	262.42	..	..	178.48	..	..	187.14	..	..	239.23	..	..	234.94	..	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.75	5.75	5.75
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.09	4.09	4.09	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.36	5.36	5.36	5.20	5.20	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50
" self-raising ..	"	8.59	8.59	8.64	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.60
Tea ..	lb.	27.05	27.05	27.05	27.50	27.50	27.50	28.07	28.07	28.14	27.70	27.70	27.70	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	3.94	3.94	3.94	4.23	4.23	4.23	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.65	4.65	4.65	3.97	3.97	3.97
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	3.57	3.57	3.57	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago (a)	"	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.25	7.25	7.25	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	12.55	12.59	12.59	13.34	13.34	12.98	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.40	14.40	14.40	13.30	13.30	13.30
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.86	6.86	6.91	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.20	8.20	8.20	7.60	7.60	7.60
Oats, flaked (a)	lb.	4.06	4.06	4.06	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.13	4.13	4.13
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.86	12.86	12.91	13.58	13.58	13.58	13.69	13.69	14.00	14.67	13.93	13.93	13.20	13.20	13.20
Currants ..	"	11.35	11.35	11.35	11.29	11.29	11.29	11.58	11.58	11.58	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.60	11.60	11.60
Apricots, dried (a)	"	17.25	17.25	17.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	15.09	15.09	15.09	15.86	15.86	15.86	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.88	15.88	15.88	15.75	15.75	15.75
Pears, canned (a)	"	15.29	15.29	15.29	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.33	16.33	16.33	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.33	21.33	21.33	24.63	24.63	24.63	20.50	20.50	20.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.37	8.37	8.36	8.87	8.87	8.87	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.75	10.75	10.63	8.80	8.80	8.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.96	2.96	2.96	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	2.95	3.00	3.00
Soap ..	"	6.88	6.88	6.94	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.26	7.26	7.26	7.25	7.13	7.13
Kerosene ..	quart	5.62	5.45	5.38	6.38	6.16	6.14	7.03	6.85	6.80	7.44	7.39	6.99	6.23	6.18	6.03
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.86	19.82	19.82	19.93	19.93	19.93	20.14	20.14	20.14	21.60	21.60	21.60	19.80	19.80	19.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	15.09	15.09	15.09	15.21	15.21	15.21	15.79	15.79	15.79	16.90	16.90	16.90	15.40	15.40	15.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	27.91	27.82	27.91	27.86	27.86	27.86	29.29	29.71	29.71	30.00	30.00	30.00	23.75	26.75	26.80
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.07	22.07	22.07	22.43	22.43	22.43	21.90	21.90	22.10	22.10	22.10	22.10
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.82	9.82	9.82	9.79	9.86	9.86	10.64	10.71	10.71	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.10	10.10	10.10
" fresh ..	quart	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.57	7.57	7.57	6.86	6.86	6.86	9.60	9.60	9.60	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.50	12.43	12.43	11.86	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.00	12.00	12.00
" rib ..	"	7.00	6.33	6.33	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.20	7.20	7.20
" steak, rump ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.50	17.43	17.43	14.71	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chuck ..	"	7.50	7.30	7.35	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.71	9.00	9.00	7.40	7.40	7.40	9.40	9.40	9.40
" sausages ..	"	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.57	8.57	8.50	8.79	8.86	8.86	7.80	7.80	7.80	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.00	10.20	10.15	11.79	11.50	11.50	10.86	10.86	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.40	11.40	11.40
" brisket ..	"	7.95	7.65	7.65	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.75	10.00	10.00	7.10	7.10	7.00	9.40	9.40	9.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.36	9.43	9.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	10.50	10.50
" forequarter ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.93	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
" loin ..	"	7.78	7.78	7.78	8.57	8.14	8.14	8.07	8.14	8.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
" chops, loin ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.07	9.00	9.29	9.43	9.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" " leg ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.14	9.00	9.00	9.29	9.43	9.43	8.40	8.40	8.40	10.40	10.40	10.50
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	16.07	16.07	16.07	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	15.67	15.67	15.67	15.80	15.80	15.80
" loin (a) ..	"	15.86	15.86	15.86	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	13.00	13.00	13.00	15.80	15.80	15.80
" chops (a) ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	13.00	13.00	13.00	16.80	16.80	16.80
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	232.74	..	..	216.40	..	..	206.97	..	..	217.71	..	..	169.51	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936.



**SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PIRIE.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.07	5.07	5.07	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.15	7.15	7.15	8.64	8.64	8.64	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.63	8.63	8.63
Tea ..	lb.	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.82	27.89	27.89	27.14	27.14	27.14	27.20	27.20	27.20	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.12	4.12	4.12	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) (a) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Sago (a) ..	"	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	13.15	13.15	13.15	13.79	13.79	13.79	13.83	13.83	13.96	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.63	13.63	13.63
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.95	6.95	6.95	8.43	8.50	8.50	8.86	8.86	8.86	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.63	8.63	8.63
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.95	3.95	3.95	4.20	4.20	4.20	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.65	11.65	11.65	12.79	12.79	12.79	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.00	13.00	12.80	13.00	13.00	13.00
Currants ..	"	9.90	9.90	9.90	10.64	10.64	10.64	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.70	10.70	10.70	11.13	11.13	11.13
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	17.38	17.38	17.38	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.67	16.67	16.67	17.67	17.67	17.67	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	13.83	13.83	13.83	14.90	14.90	14.90	15.60	15.60	15.60	14.00	14.00	14.00	15.33	15.33	15.33
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.83	13.83	13.83	14.90	14.90	14.90	15.60	15.60	15.60	14.67	14.67	14.67	15.50	15.50	15.50
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	20.80	20.80	20.80	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes (a) ..	7 lb.	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.17	10.17	10.00	10.71	10.57	10.57	8.86	8.86	8.86	10.38	10.38	10.38
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.00	2.85	2.85	2.75	2.75	2.75	3.42	3.08	3.00	2.67	2.67	2.67	3.38	3.38	3.25
Soap ..	"	7.36	7.36	7.36	7.76	7.76	7.76	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75
Kerosene ..	quart	5.56	5.34	5.31	6.22	6.11	6.07	6.55	6.38	6.30	6.15	6.00	5.95	6.41	6.22	6.16
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.57	21.57	21.57	20.86	20.86	20.86	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.63	20.63	20.63
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.78	14.78	14.78	16.29	16.29	16.29	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.40	28.40	28.40	23.20	23.20	23.20	24.75	24.40	25.75	23.20	23.20	23.20	23.00	23.00	23.25
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	19.90	19.90	19.90	20.57	20.57	20.57	21.17	20.92	20.42	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.50	20.50	20.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.30	9.30	9.30	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.36	10.36	10.40	10.40	10.40	9.88	9.88	10.00
" fresh ..	quart	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.86	6.86	6.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.80	6.80	6.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.30	12.30	12.30	11.43	11.36	11.64	10.36	10.36	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.70	11.33	11.33	11.50
" rib ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	10.50	10.79	10.00	10.00	10.14	10.30	10.30	10.50	9.33	9.33	9.50
" steak, rump ..	"	16.40	16.40	16.70	15.21	15.29	15.64	17.29	17.29	17.79	15.60	15.60	16.20	17.00	17.00	17.33
" chuck ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.43	10.36	10.36	11.93	11.93	12.07	9.30	9.30	9.00	10.17	10.17	10.33
" sausages ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.29	7.29	7.29	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.00	7.00	7.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.50	11.50	11.85	11.86	11.86	12.07	11.93	11.93	12.36	11.00	11.00	11.50	11.00	11.00	11.50
" brisket ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.80	9.79	9.79	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.36	8.60	8.60	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.50
Mutton, leg ..	"	10.70	10.80	10.95	9.21	9.36	9.57	11.00	11.00	11.07	10.20	10.30	10.60	10.33	10.33	10.50
" forequarter ..	"	5.44	5.44	5.89	5.79	6.07	6.50	6.93	6.93	7.29	5.30	5.30	5.80	5.67	5.67	5.83
" loin ..	"	8.75	8.75	9.10	7.79	8.14	8.43	8.71	8.71	9.00	8.50	8.40	8.60	9.67	9.67	9.83
" chops, loin ..	"	9.45	9.45	9.80	8.64	9.00	9.43	10.86	11.00	11.29	8.70	8.70	9.30	10.00	10.00	10.33
" leg ..	"	11.30	11.30	11.40	9.64	9.93	10.29	11.57	11.71	11.71	9.70	9.60	10.40	10.67	10.67	10.83
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.14	13.14	13.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.33	13.33	13.33
" loin (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" chops (a) ..	"	14.90	14.90	14.90	12.57	12.57	12.57	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.33	13.33	13.33
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	240.59	..	..	97.21	..	..	179.48	..	..	179.81	..	..	189.95	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1939.

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.38	8.38	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00
Tea ..	lb.	27.00	27.00	27.00	28.86	28.86	28.86	27.63	27.63	27.63	27.25	27.25	27.25	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.23	4.23	4.23	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian) (a)	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.17	5.17	5.17	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Sago (a)	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	7.95	7.95	7.95	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.88	8.88	8.88	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.69	4.81	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.80	12.80	12.80	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.13	13.13	13.13	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.50	13.50	13.50
Currants ..	"	10.35	10.35	10.35	11.57	11.50	11.50	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.75	10.75	10.88	11.00	11.00	11.00
Apricots, dried (a)	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.06	19.06	19.06	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	14.00	14.00	14.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Pears, canned ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	24.67	24.67	24.67	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.19	10.19	10.29	9.13	9.13	9.13	8.98	8.85	8.85	9.20	9.20	9.20
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.95	2.95	3.00	3.43	3.36	3.29	3.00	3.00	3.50	3.13	3.13	3.50	3.00	3.00	3.50
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.33	7.33	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.67	7.67	7.67
Kerosene ..	quart	6.49	6.24	6.24	8.42	8.40	8.13	7.05	6.97	6.88	7.25	7.08	7.00	7.25	7.15	7.05
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	22.93	22.93	22.93	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.50	21.50	21.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.43	18.43	18.43	17.63	17.63	17.63	17.33	17.33	17.33	17.50	17.50	17.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	28.00	30.86	30.86	32.29	28.75	28.75	24.00	27.50	27.50	27.50	25.20	25.40	26.40
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	21.64	21.50	21.50	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.75	20.75	20.75	21.00	21.00	21.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.90	9.90	9.90	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.64	13.64	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
" rib ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.93	11.93	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" steak, rump ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.93	18.93	19.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.07	12.07	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" sausages ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.14	10.14	10.14	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.07	12.07	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" brisket ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.79	9.79	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.86	10.86	12.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.80	10.00	10.00	11.00
" forequarter ..	"	7.00	7.00	8.00	7.86	7.86	9.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.90	7.00	7.00	8.00
" loin ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.60	11.00	11.00	11.57	10.25	10.25	10.50	10.40	10.40	10.60	10.67	10.67	10.67
" chops, loin ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.86	11.86	12.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" leg ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.86	11.86	12.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.60	10.60	10.80	11.00	11.00	11.00
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.20	12.20	12.20	14.00	14.00	14.00
" loin (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" chops (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	15.57	15.57	15.57	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.33	14.33	14.33
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms		238.80			260.69			226.21			245.27			266.89	

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December quarter, 1936.

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th JUNE, 1945.**

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RETAIL PRICES.

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.	April.	May.	June.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.90	5.90	5.90	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.60	4.60	4.60	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.29	7.29	7.29	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75
Tea ..	lb.	27.05	27.05	27.05	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.38	27.38	27.38
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian)(a) ..	"	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.17	4.17	4.17	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.17	4.17	4.17
Sago (a) ..	"	7.63	7.63	7.63	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.67	7.67	7.67
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.70	9.70	9.60	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.63	10.63	10.63
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.71	3.71	3.71	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.86	12.86	12.86	12.80	12.80	12.80	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50
Currants ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.90	10.90	10.90	11.25	11.25	11.25
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.25	16.25	16.25	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.25	18.25	18.25
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.67	13.67	13.67	14.33	14.33	14.33
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.75	13.75	13.75	14.38	14.38	14.38
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.17	22.17	22.17	19.83	19.83	19.83
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	10.86	11.07	11.07
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.28	3.17	3.17	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.38	3.38	3.38
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.67	7.67	7.67
Kerosene ..	quart	7.20	7.09	7.00	7.20	7.11	6.93	7.10	7.00	6.85	7.18	7.13	6.93	7.71	7.55	7.46
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.13	20.13	20.13
Cheese, mild ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	26.00	25.00	25.60	22.75	25.00	25.00	29.63	29.63	29.63
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.71	20.71	20.71	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.38	21.38	21.38
Milk, condensed ..	tin	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.75	10.75	10.75
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.00	12.00	13.00	10.86	10.86	11.71	11.00	11.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
" rib ..	"	10.00	10.00	11.00	9.14	9.14	10.00	9.88	9.88	10.88	10.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00
" steak, rump ..	"	17.00	17.00	18.00	15.57	15.71	16.43	14.75	14.75	15.50	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	17.00
" chuck ..	"	9.90	9.90	10.90	8.71	8.71	9.57	9.00	9.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
" sausages ..	"	7.67	7.67	7.78	7.71	7.71	7.86	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.00	8.00	8.67	9.00	9.00	9.67
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	12.00	12.00	13.00	10.00	10.00	10.86	10.00	10.00	10.75	10.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
" brisket ..	"	9.45	9.50	10.50	8.43	8.43	9.29	9.00	9.00	9.75	9.00	9.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	12.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.50	9.29	9.29	9.71	10.00	10.00	10.25	10.00	10.00	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.50
" forequarter ..	"	6.00	6.00	6.50	5.86	5.86	6.36	6.00	6.00	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.50	10.00	10.00	10.50
" loin ..	"	9.50	9.55	10.10	8.71	8.71	9.21	8.88	8.88	9.13	9.00	9.33	9.50	12.00	12.00	12.50
" chops, loin ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.50	9.29	9.29	9.79	10.00	10.00	10.25	10.00	10.00	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.50
" leg ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.50	9.57	9.57	10.71	9.88	9.88	10.13	10.00	10.00	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.50
Pork, leg ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" loin ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" chops ..	"	14.00	13.89	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	251.49	..	..	232.37	..	..	213.71	..	..	193.64	..	..	202.31	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December quarter, 1936.



## Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Gro- ceries.	Meat.	Building Ma- terials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1902..	1,007	756	1,192	1,215	945	1,447	837	881	1,051
1903..	923	834	1,209	1,059	936	1,443	875	921	1,049
1904..	821	885	754	876	916	1,427	845	875	890
1905..	772	850	894	980	942	1,209	801	859	910
1906..	882	978	916	972	923	1,110	896	864	948
1907..	1,037	1,017	973	1,020	948	1,294	968	961	1,021
1908..	1,033	901	1,312	1,198	968	1,335	935	891	1,115
1909..	1,014	907	1,000	1,119	978	1,088	911	815	993
1910..	1,004	1,052	969	1,100	999	1,008	996	898	1,003
1911..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1912..	1,021	991	1,370	1,206	1,052	1,357	1,057	978	1,170
1913..	1,046	1,070	1,097	1,054	1,024	1,252	1,128	995	1,088
1914..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,187	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,148
1915..	1,284	1,017	2,162	1,530	1,133	2,435	1,275	1,528	1,604
1916..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,615	1,491	1,760	1,504
1917..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,662
1918..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,686	3,225	1,934
1919..	2,125	2,363	1,985	1,651	1,516	2,348	2,851	2,898	2,068
1920..	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,460
1921..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922..	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,809	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929..	1,912	1,556	1,792	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930..	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,624	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
1931..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,608	2,025	2,166	1,428
1932..	1,736	1,000	1,230	1,303	1,767	1,348	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933..	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,195	1,714	1,487	2,061	2,106	1,409
1934..	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,018	1,471
1935..	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,325	1,729	1,508	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936..	1,566	1,331	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,634	1,969	1,997	1,543
1937..	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938..	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1940..	1,854	1,362	1,568	1,567	1,784	1,882	2,890	2,298	1,713
1941..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,938	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977
1943..	2,272	1,945	1,964	1,716	1,939	2,366	3,764	2,442	2,117
1944..	2,278	1,967	2,052	1,721	1,949	2,470	3,768	2,442	2,150

NOTE.—The index of wholesale prices above was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 84 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index numbers back to 1928-29 are published on the next page.

## WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

## BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published on the previous page. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Tex- tiles.	Chem- icals.	Rubber and Hides.	Build- ing Mat- erials.	Food- stuffs and To- bacco.	Goods princi- pally Im- ported.	Goods princi- pally Home Pro- duced.	All Groups.
1928-29 ..	1,269	1,064	1,288	1,214	1,148	948	1,070	911	1,183	1,103
1936-37 ..	962	984	1,185	988	1,106	989	974	991	980	984
1937-38 ..	1,013	1,012	1,000	1,001	969	1,041	997	1,018	1,000	1,005
1938-39 ..	1,025	1,004	815	1,011	925	970	1,029	991	1,020	1,011
1939-40 ..	1,051	1,152	1,038	1,068	1,163	1,084	1,012	1,106	1,025	1,047
1940-41 ..	1,074	1,374	1,105	1,236	1,256	1,284	1,069	1,325	1,060	1,140
1941-42 ..	1,173	1,509	1,184	1,372	1,350	1,352	1,169	1,525	1,123	1,242
1942-43 ..	1,288	1,667	1,471	1,422	1,379	1,628	1,279	1,760	1,212	1,373
1943-44 ..	1,310	1,695	1,501	1,432	1,398	1,743	1,287	1,824	1,217	1,396
1944-45 ..	1,307	1,676	1,518	1,428	1,398	1,747	1,308	1,810	1,232	1,405
1941-42—										
April ..	1,206	1,574	1,221	1,408	1,364	1,326	1,191	1,540	1,154	1,269
May ..	1,208	1,574	1,242	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,270	1,680	1,181	1,327
June ..	1,213	1,574	1,238	1,410	1,361	1,514	1,326	1,694	1,219	1,358
1942-43—										
July ..	1,213	1,590	1,363	1,410	1,361	1,514	1,311	1,653	1,232	1,356
August ..	1,234	1,644	1,359	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,318	1,661	1,247	1,369
September ..	1,237	1,644	1,381	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,334	1,724	1,237	1,379
October ..	1,302	1,649	1,386	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,292	1,721	1,219	1,367
November ..	1,308	1,651	1,391	1,425	1,361	1,529	1,281	1,750	1,205	1,365
December ..	1,308	1,684	1,484	1,425	1,358	1,691	1,255	1,801	1,193	1,371
January ..	1,308	1,686	1,544	1,425	1,398	1,691	1,210	1,790	1,166	1,350
February ..	1,308	1,688	1,535	1,429	1,398	1,701	1,234	1,789	1,185	1,363
March ..	1,308	1,693	1,544	1,429	1,398	1,701	1,265	1,802	1,206	1,382
April ..	1,310	1,693	1,521	1,430	1,398	1,709	1,274	1,807	1,211	1,386
May ..	1,310	1,693	1,573	1,430	1,398	1,709	1,275	1,801	1,216	1,388
June ..	1,310	1,693	1,574	1,430	1,398	1,741	1,298	1,824	1,228	1,404
1943-44—										
July ..	1,310	1,694	1,569	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,305	1,824	1,233	1,407
August ..	1,310	1,694	1,541	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,291	1,823	1,222	1,398
September ..	1,310	1,694	1,502	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,297	1,828	1,224	1,402
October ..	1,310	1,691	1,507	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,286	1,826	1,216	1,396
November ..	1,310	1,694	1,436	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,279	1,829	1,206	1,389
December ..	1,310	1,694	1,499	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,275	1,821	1,209	1,389
January ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,279	1,828	1,210	1,392
February ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,269	1,815	1,208	1,386
March ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,271	1,818	1,208	1,387
April ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,289	1,832	1,215	1,397
May ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,291	1,818	1,223	1,398
June ..	1,308	1,696	1,507	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,307	1,820	1,235	1,407
1944-45—										
July ..	1,308	1,696	1,512	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,312	1,819	1,239	1,410
August ..	1,308	1,696	1,542	1,429	1,398	1,747	1,306	1,817	1,237	1,408
September ..	1,308	1,696	1,525	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,291	1,814	1,225	1,399
October ..	1,308	1,696	1,523	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,288	1,821	1,221	1,397
November ..	1,310	1,696	1,515	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,289	1,831	1,217	1,398
December ..	1,306	1,696	1,515	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,290	1,834	1,216	1,398
January ..	1,306	1,678	1,516	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,291	1,822	1,217	1,396
February ..	1,306	1,678	1,516	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,304	1,830	1,225	1,404
March ..	1,306	1,678	1,511	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,314	1,824	1,235	1,408
April ..	1,306	1,678	1,511	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,333	1,835	1,245	1,419
May ..	1,306	1,609	1,525	1,429	1,398	1,748	1,331	1,795	1,249	1,410
June ..	1,306	1,609	1,510	1,406	1,398	1,748	1,346	1,790	1,261	1,417

## PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin* No. 36 Part II. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of Australia.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Mining other than Gold.(a)	Gold. (a)	All Groups.
1928-29 .. ..	1,167	1,289	1,221	1,234	1,235	487	1,213
1937-38 .. ..	993	1,018	1,012	1,009	1,085	997	1,014
1938-39 .. ..	896	878	1,059	918	933	1,011	922
1939-40 .. ..	893	1,021	1,066	984	974	1,113	987
1940-41 .. ..	1,004	1,086	1,025	1,046	1,076	1,215	1,053
1941-42 .. ..	1,019	1,167	1,075	1,098	1,176	1,218	1,107
1942-43 .. ..	1,153	1,291	1,177	1,221	1,249	1,191	1,223
1943-44(b) .. ..	1,220	1,295	1,179	1,247	1,290	1,191	1,250
1944-45(b) .. ..	1,275	1,316	1,182	1,277	1,294	1,197	1,276
1943-44—(b)							
January .. ..	1,230	1,284	1,179	1,245	1,295	1,191	1,249
February .. ..	1,230	1,277	1,179	1,243	1,295	1,191	1,246
March .. ..	1,230	1,277	1,179	1,243	1,295	1,191	1,246
April .. ..	1,232	1,283	1,179	1,246	1,295	1,191	1,240
May .. ..	1,235	1,293	1,179	1,251	1,295	1,191	1,254
June .. ..	1,238	1,310	1,179	1,260	1,294	1,193	1,262
1944-45—(b)							
July .. ..	1,237	1,338	1,180	1,273	1,294	1,197	1,273
August .. ..	1,236	1,335	1,183	1,272	1,294	1,197	1,272
September .. ..	1,235	1,317	1,182	1,263	1,294	1,202	1,264
October .. ..	1,287	1,308	1,182	1,277	1,292	1,208	1,277
November .. ..	1,293	1,306	1,182	1,278	1,293	1,208	1,278
December .. ..	1,274	1,305	1,182	1,271	1,293	1,208	1,272
January .. ..	1,279	1,293	1,182	1,268	1,293	1,208	1,268
February .. ..	1,281	1,300	1,182	1,272	1,293	1,208	1,272
March .. ..	1,295	1,310	1,182	1,281	1,293	1,208	1,281
April .. ..	1,295	1,312	1,182	1,282	1,293	1,208	1,281
May .. ..	1,295	1,322	1,182	1,286	1,292	1,210	1,285
June .. ..	1,295	1,343	1,182	1,296	1,292	1,224	1,294

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Preliminary figures subject to revision, based on average wholesale prices in the period shown.

NOTE.—Particulars have been revised since last issue.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute about 85 per cent. of all exports. The prices are multiplied by the average quantities exported during a fairly recent and representative period.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Year.	Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.	Month.	1942-43.		1943-44.		1944-45.	
				Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.	Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.	Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.
1928-29	1,205	1,173	July ..	1,134	1,139	1,145	1,148	1,236	1,234
1933-34	959	896	August ..	1,133	1,138	1,154	1,157	1,258	1,255
1934-35	741	753	September ..	1,134	1,139	1,149	1,152	1,283	1,279
1935-36	942	946	October ..	1,132	1,136	1,155	1,159	1,312	1,305
1936-37	1,155	1,144	November ..	1,133	1,138	1,171	1,172	1,300	1,294
1937-38	1,024	1,022	December ..	1,132	1,136	1,172	1,175	1,300	1,295
1938-39	821	834							
1939-40	964	980	January ..	1,138	1,143	1,175	1,176	1,317	1,311
1940-41	1,026	1,039	February ..	1,137	1,141	1,172	1,175	1,312	1,307
1941-42	1,047	1,059	March ..	1,142	1,147	1,175	1,176	1,321	1,314
1942-43	1,137	1,142	April ..	1,142	1,147	1,177	1,178	1,333	1,326
1943-44	1,169	1,171	May ..	1,142	1,147	1,192	1,192	1,328	1,319
1944-45	1,304	1,298	June ..	1,142	1,147	1,196	1,196	1,342	1,335

NOTE.—While the index-numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Base), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.



## COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

\* (Base of Each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Retail Price Index-numbers.						Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (a)	Percentage of Unem- ployment among Trade Union- ists.
	Food and Groc- eries.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms).	Food, Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series.	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	All Items of House- hold Ex- pendi- ture, "C" Series.			
Year—									
1911 ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	(b) 1,000	(b) 1,000	(b) 1,000	1,000	1,000	% 4.7
1914 ..	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921 ..	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928 ..	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172	10.8
1932 ..	1,425	1,336	1,390	1,215	1,457	1,377	1,639	1,190	29.0
1939 ..	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1940 ..	1,679	1,590	1,644	1,445	1,519	1,588	1,889	1,190	8.0
1941 ..	1,693	1,595	1,654	1,690	1,613	1,673	1,997	1,194	3.7
1942 ..	1,843	1,596	1,742	1,977	1,693	1,809	2,164	1,196	1.6
1943 ..	1,855	1,595	1,749	2,177	1,766	1,876	2,309	1,231	1.1
1944 ..	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246	1.2
Quarter—									
1935.									
September ..	1,461	1,379	1,430	1,188	1,437	1,389	1,613	1,161	15.9
December ..	1,460	1,390	1,434	1,188	1,435	1,391	1,620	1,165	13.7
1936.									
March ..	1,445	1,413	1,433	1,191	1,432	1,391	1,623	1,167	13.4
June ..	1,455	1,425	1,444	1,194	1,431	1,397	1,629	1,166	12.8
September ..	1,489	1,449	1,474	1,197	1,455	1,420	1,641	1,156	12.0
December ..	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,203	1,449	1,430	1,659	1,160	10.7
1937.									
March ..	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,205	1,452	1,433	1,662	1,160	9.9
June ..	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,221	1,461	1,441	1,680	1,166	9.7
September ..	1,526	1,499	1,516	1,230	1,464	1,454	1,721	1,184	9.3
December ..	1,340	1,510	1,529	1,245	1,467	1,465	1,763	1,203	8.2
1938.									
March ..	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,247	1,466	1,467	1,778	1,212	8.0
June ..	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,255	1,461	1,482	1,787	1,205	8.6
September ..	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,256	1,463	1,500	1,806	1,204	9.2
December ..	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,256	1,463	1,501	1,823	1,215	8.9
1939.									
March ..	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,258	1,461	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June ..	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,264	1,461	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September ..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December ..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,297	1,472	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1940.									
March ..	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,342	1,481	1,542	1,864	1,209	7.9
June ..	1,688	1,589	1,649	1,415	1,518	1,583	1,875	1,184	10.5
September ..	1,676	1,591	1,642	1,450	1,533	1,590	1,903	1,197	7.4
December ..	1,710	1,593	1,663	1,572	1,542	1,635	1,912	1,169	6.2
1941.									
March ..	1,713	1,595	1,666	1,598	1,581	1,651	1,966	1,191	5.3
June ..	1,679	1,595	1,648	1,669	1,594	1,660	1,984	1,195	3.6
September ..	1,673	1,595	1,643	1,705	1,633	1,675	2,002	1,195	3.2
December ..	1,705	1,596	1,662	1,787	1,644	1,707	2,034	1,192	2.0
1942.									
March ..	1,771	1,597	1,701	1,838	1,667	1,746	2,091	1,198	1.8
June ..	1,832	1,596	1,736	1,942	1,673	1,793	2,127	1,186	1.7
September ..	1,887	1,595	1,768	2,028	1,689	1,835	2,182	1,189	1.6
December ..	1,880	1,595	1,764	2,098	1,741	1,860	2,257	1,213	1.3
1943.									
March ..	1,860	1,595	1,752	2,130	1,749	1,863	2,283	1,225	1.2
June ..	1,891	1,595	1,771	2,216	1,763	1,897	2,292	1,208	1.1
September ..	1,853	1,594	1,748	2,192	1,773	1,880	2,331	1,240	1.1
December ..	1,815	1,595	1,726	2,171	1,778	1,864	2,329	1,249	1.1
1944.									
March ..	1,824	1,595	1,731	2,167	1,775	1,864	2,322	1,246	1.0
June ..	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,160	1,773	1,865	2,322	1,245	1.4
September ..	1,852	1,595	1,748	2,166	1,772	1,873	2,327	1,242	1.2
December ..	1,827	1,595	1,733	2,180	1,770	1,867	2,332	1,249	1.2
1945.									
March ..	1,838	1,595	1,739	2,149	1,767	1,863	2,333	1,252	1.1
June ..	1,854	1,595	1,749	2,141	1,767	1,866	..	..	1.1

(a) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series index of retail prices.

(b) Taken back from true base (November, 1914 = 1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

\* The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1944.
Population (a)—Males ..	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,799,462	3,332,577	3,597,447	h 3,670,213
Females ..	1,059,677	1,504,968	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,539,775	h 3,636,424
Total ..	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	7,137,222	h 7,306,637
Births—Number ..	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	184,525	153,344
Rate ..	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	18.94	20.99
Deaths—Number ..	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	71,176	69,596
Rate ..	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	10.02	9.53
Marriages—Number ..	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	75,148	68,201
Rate ..	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	10.58	9.33
	1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1943-44.
AGRICULTURE—								
Wheat—Area .. '000 acres	2,996	3,335	5,116	7,428	9,719	14,741	12,003	7,860
Yield .. '000 bus.	21,444	23,675	38,562	71,636	129,089	190,612	166,713	109,559
Average yield bus.	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	12.93	13.89	13.94
Oats—Area .. '000 acres	195	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	1,414
Yield .. '000 bus.	4,796	5,726	9,790	9,562	12,147	15,195	22,302	17,094
Average yield bus.	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	14.00	15.27	12.52
Barley—Area .. acres	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,396	784,253	442,764
Yield .. '000 bus.	1,353	1,179	1,520	2,057	6,086	6,291	18,004	7,589
Average yield bus.	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	18.37	22.92	17.14
Maize—Area .. acres	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,448	301,360	282,685
Yield .. '000 bus.	5,726	9,262	7,035	8,940	7,840	7,062	7,436	7,433
Average yield bus.	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.20	25.69	26.21	24.67	26.20
Hay—Area .. '000 acres	768	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	2,041
Yield .. '000 tons	1,067	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,375	2,717
Average yield tons	7.07	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.33
Potatoes—Area .. acres	(b) 76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	145,111	99,324	192,075
Yield .. tons	(b) 243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	332,727	599,055
Average yield tons	(b) 3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	3.12
Sugar-cane—Area (c) .. acres	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,350	241,576	254,564	229,192
Yield '000 tons	350	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	3,688
Av. yield tons	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	17.44	20.25	16.09
Vineyards—Area .. acres	14,569	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,961	129,739	130,141
Wine .. '000 gal.	1,438	3,498	5,262	4,975	8,543	14,191	15,857	19,865
Total gross value of all agricultural production £'000	15,519	16,988	23,835	23,774	81,890	74,489	94,451	(e)
PASTORAL, DAIRYING, ETC.								
Live-stock—Sheep .. '000	65,093	106,421	72,040	96,886	86,119	110,619	125,189	123,174
Cattle ..	8,011	11,112	8,491	11,829	14,441	12,261	13,561	14,184
Horses ..	1,088	1,565	1,620	2,278	2,438	1,776	1,611	1,449
Pigs ..	703	846	931	1,111	960	1,168	1,477	1,747
Wool production (d) .. '000 lb.	319,049	634,046	539,395	798,391	723,059	1,007,456	1,167,159	1,172,411
Butter ..	(e)	(f) 42,315	(f) 103,747	(f) 212,074	(f) 267,071	390,654	375,694	345,990
Cheese ..	(e)	(f) 10,131	(f) 11,845	(f) 15,887	(f) 82,653	31,423	67,520	78,698
Bacon and ham ..	(e)	(f) 16,772	(f) 34,021	(f) 53,335	(f) 58,626	71,122	95,119	102,419
Total gross value of all pastoral and dairying production .. £'000	29,538	39,256	36,890	72,883	119,399	103,018	184,857	(e)
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1943.
MINERAL PRODUCTION—								
Gold .. £'000	5,194	5,282	14,018	10,552	4,019	3,564	15,991	7,851
Silver and lead ..	46	3,736	2,249	3,022	1,540	1,444	6,256	4,335
Copper ..	714	367	2,215	2,564	804	568	1,505	2,195
Tin ..	1,146	561	448	1,210	418	216	1,001	839
Zinc ..	..	3	4	1,415	283	513	1,590	1,432
Coal ..	638	1,912	2,603	3,927	11,015	9,355	10,872	12,680
Total value of all mineral production .. £'000	7,820	12,074	21,817	23,303	19,997	13,352	41,257	33,741
					1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1943-44.
FORESTRY PRODUCTION—								
Quantity of local timber sawn or hewn .. '000 sup. ft.	(e)	(e)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	913,675	851,061
FACTORIES—								
Number of factories ..				14,455	18,023	21,657	26,971	27,674
Hands employed .. No.				311,710	378,540	396,658	725,342	766,498
Wages paid .. £'000				27,528	68,061	55,832	180,052	216,874
Value of production ..				51,259	121,674	110,982	316,439	366,235
Total value of output ..				133,022	320,332	281,646	773,059	891,739

(a) At 31st December. (b) Partly estimated. (c) Productive cane. (d) In terms of greasy.  
 (e) Not available. (f) Years ended December. (g) Owing to variation in classification effective comparison is impossible. (h) At 30th June.

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Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1943-44.
SHIPPING—								
Oversea vessels entered and cleared .. No.	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	2,544	1,380
.. '000 tons	2,549	4,726	6,542	9,985	9,081	11,396	10,768	9,687
COMMERCE—								
Imports—Oversea .. £'000	29,067	37,711	42,434	66,968	103,066	44,713	(a) 149,356	(a) 210,029
Per head .. £	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	6/16/6	20/18/6	28/14/11
Exports—Oversea .. £'000	27,528	36,043	49,696	79,482	127,847	(b) 85,843	(ab) 127,208	(ab) 117,103
Per head .. £	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	13/1/11	17/16/6	16/0/6
Total—Oversea trade .. £'000	56,595	73,754	92,130	146,450	230,913	130,556	(a) 276,564	(a) 327,132
Per head .. £	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	19/18/5	38/15/0	44/15/5
Net Customs and Excise duties .. £'000	4,809	7,441	8,657	13,515	27,565	28,525	(c) 55,700	(c) 66,502
Per head .. £	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	4/7/1	7/16/1	9/2/0
PRINCIPAL OVERSEA EXPORTS								
(d)								
Wool—Quantity (e) '000 lb.	328,369	619,260	518,018	720,365	927,834	893,644	937,376	607,422
Value .. £'000	13,173	19,940	15,237	26,071	47,977	32,102	58,041	45,767
Wheat—Quantity .. '000 ctl.	3,219	5,877	12,156	33,089	59,968	76,441	13,388	20,195
Value .. £'000	1,190	1,939	2,775	9,642	28,644	19,220	4,645	8,264
Flour—Quantity .. '000 tons	50	33	97	176	360	611	414	591
Value .. £'000	520	328	590	1,392	5,520	3,833	4,191	6,699
Butter—Quantity .. '000 lb.	1,299	4,240	34,607	101,722	127,347	201,639	130,347	104,227
Value .. £'000	39	207	1,451	4,637	7,968	10,250	8,125	6,871
Hides and skins .. "	317	874	1,251	3,227	3,137	2,316	5,982	6,752
Tallow .. "	644	571	678	1,936	1,442	831	842	904
Meats .. "	363	461	2,611	4,303	5,542	6,370	14,094	13,063
Timber (undressed) .. "	118	38	731	1,024	1,158	433	320	271
Gold .. "	6,445	5,704	14,316	12,046	9,483	11,893	9,188	..
Silver and lead .. "	68	1,932	2,250	3,213	2,697	2,902	7,434	3,795
Copper .. "	577	418	1,619	2,346	705	472	18	24
Coal .. "	361	646	987	901	1,100	342	259	182
GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—								
Length of line open miles	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,502	26,959	27,241	27,213
Capital cost .. £'000	42,741	99,764	123,224	152,195	244,853	321,972	322,152	325,039
Gross revenue .. "	3,910	8,654	11,038	17,848	38,195	37,580	66,482	82,309
Working expenses .. "	2,142	5,630	7,134	10,946	29,818	28,142	51,043	66,578
Per cent. of working expenses on gross revenue %	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	78.07	74.88	76.78	80.89
POSTAL—								
Letters and post-cards dealt with ..	67,640	157,297	220,853	453,063	561,973	731,135	921,901	907,768
.. Per head No.	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	102.01	111.62	129.17	124.24
Newspapers dealt with .. '000	38,063	85,280	102,727	141,638	140,477	139,502	177,974	170,044
.. Per head No.	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	25.50	21.80	24.94	23.27
CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (f)—								
Note circulation .. £'000	3,979	4,417	3,399	3,718	(g) 214	197	167	(h) 166
Coin and bullion held .. "	9,108	16,713	19,781	33,471	21,627	2,882	4,479	(h) 16,589
Advances .. "	57,733	129,742	86,353	108,579	193,436	(i) 260,918	(i) 323,850	(hi) 251,705
Deposits .. "	53,849	98,345	91,487	143,447	(j) 273,867	(i) 319,241	(i) 482,722	(hi) 762,441
SAVINGS BANKS (k)—								
Total deposits .. £'000	7,854	15,537	30,883	59,394	154,396	197,966	274,275	(l) 566,906
Average per head of population .. £	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	30/1/11	38/4/7	77/11/9
					1921.	1931.	1941.	1943.
STATE SCHOOLS—								
Schools .. No.	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,097	9,535	8,814
Teachers .. "	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	33,762	32,066	31,704
Enrolment .. "	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	936,901	886,655	864,855
Average attendance .. "	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	817,262	732,116	706,650

(a) Merchandise only. (b) British currency values. The recorded values were:—Exports, 1931-32, £A.109,034,000; 1941-42, £A.159,329,000; 1942-43, £A.125,552,000 and 1943-44, £A.146,672,000, *vide* page 15. (c) Excludes Special War Tax of 10 per cent. on Amount of Customs Duties on all goods entered for home consumption on and after 3rd May, 1940.

(d) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (e) In terms of *grassy*. (f) Figures for first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter. (g) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue. (h) Quarter ended June, 1945. (i) Government "set-off" accounts interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded. (j) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits. (k) First three years at 31st December; remainder 30th June. (l) At 30th June, 1945.